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ND TELL ME, what have you in these houses? Have you peace, the quiet urge that reveals your power? Have you remembrances, the glimmering arches that span the summits of the mind? Have you beauty, that leads the heart from things fashioned of wood and stone to the holy mountain? Or have you only comfort and the lust for comfort?

—The Prophet. K & Angelos

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DO YOU WANT A CHAPTER HOUSE?

Procedure steps outlined

- 1. Gather a committee of alumnæ and undergraduates to decide
 - a. How many girls should the house be planned to accommodate?

Involves-

- (1) Question of average number of house girls in last three years—and how many more might have lived in house if there had been room for them.
- (2) In these three years has chapter been of wise normal size? Probability of university conditions leading to larger chapter: this includes probable growth in size of student body; whether attracts as new students many upperclass matriculates, or largely freshmen; whether majority of students stay to graduate; size of chapters of other fraternities on campus; number of locals seeking national charters; ratio of fraternity members to non-fraternity students, with the possible influence on size of existing chapters on campus or on number of new groups probably will develop to share competition for members; ratio of "town" or resident prospects to out-of-town prospects.
- (3) How long do students' rooming contracts run? Must new students live in dormitory all first year? If no dormitories probability of such in next ten years. Consult university authorities as to their student housing plans, policies and hopes.

(4) House should never be built to accommodate more girls than reasonable expectancy of number ready to live in house. Otherwise finances become a problem, or membership weakened by necessity of filling house regardless of quality. Better a house waiting list than

vacant rooms.

- (5) If fairly confident will need a larger house in five to ten years, have a building plan that provides for an addition later, or for the adding of good rooms in an unfinished upper story.
- b. How much (approximately) should such a house cost in your locality?

Involves-

- (1) Relation of this probable cost to expenses for individual in house.
- (2) How much do board and room cost in dormitories, in boarding houses, in houses of other fraternities?
- (3) Is the personnel of chapter one that can afford to pay more than is generally paid, without danger to selection of proper personnel in future?
- (4) How high house charges affect rush competition.
- (5) In accordance with the fact answers to these questions, how expensive a house can Kappa Alpha Theta safely build?
- (6) Can a satisfactory house be built at that figure in this locality? If so, what types of house, and which is best type for us—frame, concrete, brick, stone, etc.
- c. Where are available and desirable lots? What would be their (approximate) cost? To be desirable should be near campus and in section that is sure to remain a desirable residence section. Don't have too much land—grounds are an expensive luxury to keep up and fraternity house is vacant summer season when yards most enjoyed.
- d. What form or organization is necessary in state to hold title to property? If a choice of forms which is best for Kappa Alpha Theta? What will this organization cost? Usual forms
 - (1) Chartered as non-profit corporation.
 - (2) Stock-company.
 - (3) Association or partnership of private type.
- e. Which of financial plans will best meet local conditions? To answer this wisely consult husbands, fathers, interested members of faculty, bankers, etc. Also study how other houses have been financed on that campus, and which plans have worked best.
- 2. Call a joint meeting of college members and all alumnæ that can be reached. (If such events not too far off, Commencement reunion, Home-coming, initiation reunion, well to use

to get out a large alumnæ crowd.) This meeting is to decide-

a. Form of organization to be adopted.

b. How get money to perfect organization. (A pass the hat small gift collection may do it, or college chapter or alumnæ organization may vote necessary funds from its bank account.) Fees vary from \$10 to \$100 and may be reduced materially if some generous lawyer father, brother, etc. offers his services free—but such offer should be recognized as a real gift or subscription to house, though no cash is paid.

c. Decide financial plan will be adopted and followed to raise funds to build.

- d. Elect a temporary house board to complete organization, etc.
- e. Provide for regular meetings, or reports by mail, so all may keep informed of what board doing.
- 3. Board's preliminary job is—(steps need not be consecutive, several can go forward simultaneously, each member of board busy with one piece of the total job)
 - a. Get the money in sight by plan approved under 2, c. (Or, failing to get it, call a meeting to report difficulties and recommend different procedure or ways to get over difficulties.)
 - b. Money in sight, select an architect.
 - c. Buy lots, using architect's advice.
 - d. Draw up detailed outline of size, cost, and what house must contain.
 - e. Authorize architect, with c and d in mind, to draw plans.
 - f. Select final plans.
 - g. Get a legal board elected—or the temporary board appointments confirmed as legal—to hold title to property.
- 4. Legal board.
 - a. Draw by-laws to cover its work and relations with alumnæ and undergraduates. By-laws must cover—
 - (1) Type of organization. (2) Stocks. (3) Stockholders.
 - (4) Directors. (5) Officers. (6) Dividends and finance. (7) Reports and annual meetings of 3, 4, 5. (8) Sundry
 - provisions. (9) Amendment. b. Let contract.
 - c. See house built.
 - d. Conduct business or organization under by-laws.

METHODS OF FINANCING CHAPTER HOUSES

LL things being equal the ideal chapter house can be acquired only by building. If we are to escape just criticism these houses must be built on a firm financial basis and well able to support themselves.

The alumnæ of our chapters should lend active and moral support, thus in a sense underwriting the association in devising plans for the sale of securities and in organizing and protecting work in a multitude of ways, but should not feel unusual financial burden.

There are several ways we can finance a house and careful consideration should be given each plan by the incorporated association before adopting any particular one.

A review of the different plans Thetas have used is interesting.

- 1. Sale of stocks or bonds; certain per cent of the face value due when lots were bought, another payment when house contract let, others as work progressed and final balance due when house completed. Interest on such stocks and bonds began when payment was completed, and was at standard rate for the state in which house was built. The four oldest houses were thus built, without any gifts or mortgages, Phi, Omega, Psi and Delta. The last two chapters, after the property was clear of debt, sold these houses and used the returns for building new homes, the balance raised by the same plan as used for original house. The other two are still in original houses, which have been remodeled from rent which accumulated after last bonds were paid off.
- 2. Sale of stocks or bonds after lots are owned and a certain cash reserve is at hand from pledges of alumnæ and undergraduates. These second mortgage bonds are often at such a small interest rate that they are more in the line of gifts. The balance is raised by first mortgage, plus a loan from the national fraternity. Alpha Theta has used this plan but finds it hard to sell her second mortgage bonds at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent interest.
- 3. Frank seeking of pledges as gifts; payable when made or on an installment plan. When house is occupied every girl afterward initiated is required to assume a definite pledge (from \$25.00 to \$100.00); in recent years collection of such pledges is by a monthly addition to chapter dues, while in

college. There is difficulty in the collection of alumnæ pledges, and more difficulty in getting the balance of pledges from the more than sixty percent of members not in college four years, as the monthly-payment-with-dues plan is based on paying four years.

The balance for these houses is made up by a first mort-

gage or by a national fraternity loan.

4. The plan under number 3 has been used to accumulate funds while a chapter rented a house—the first part to buy lots and the second to accumulate a building fund.

- 5. A few houses have been financed entirely by some bond or real estate company, who hold mortgages covering entire value. After interest at a high rate is paid, payments on principal are met by the rest of rent and by pledges similar to number 3.
- 6. Plans of numbers 3-5 often supplemented by sales of something, rummage sales, and similar money making schemes by college chapters and alumnæ which at the best are a precarious method, as returns cannot be foretold with any accuracy.

These plans seem to include those used to finance practically all of Theta's houses. Without doubt plan Number 1 is far superior to the others, but in the case of newer chapters it is rather hard to sell enough stocks or bonds to carry the entire cost of the house, especially since building today is much higher than it was when houses thus financed were first built.

The pledge plan, payable as part of monthly dues, seems to

be the most prevalent system.

In all these plans there should be some definite recognition of the alumnæ or undergraduate whose pledge is paid. Either a share of stock or some certificate of membership in the corporation—at least a tangible sign of her payment should be given.

Also it is good psychology for undergraduates to know they will be members of the corporation once their pledges are completed. When pledges are collected as part of dues, there should be a form of receipt for each girl, where each payment is recorded, so she can tell at a glance how much she still owes. This will save friction and bickering when trying to collect unpaid pledges after a girl has left college and encourages the girl to complete her payments before leaving.

Letters to collect pledges from alumnæ should be standardized and made friendly—as one goes over the country constantly meeting alumnæ alienated by the type of pledge duns received.

As all the pledges are in reality gifts, unless for interest paying bonds or stock, to send impudent letters for collection is absurd.

We find the most prevalent method today of financing houses is the collection of pledges as each girl is initiated. This money being used first for buying lots and second for a cash reserve in building. The first mortgage is usually made with some local business concern. The pledges when paid should be recognized by some tangible receipt—either in the nature of a share of stock or a second mortgage bond—or a certificate of membership in the corporation.

Loans can be made from the national fraternity to cover the necessary cash reserve needed to place a good first mortgage—but above all a careful budget must be made to be sure that the average income of the house will well carry all interest bearing indebtedness as well as a substantial payment on the principal of the debt.

JEANNETTE GEMMILL GRASETT

Grand treasurer

CHAPTER HOUSE BUILDING PLANS

BCAUSE every fraternity house ever built has fallen short of an ideal house in some respect and because the best features of existing houses are liable to be overlooked in planning a new house, Grand council has been studying the problem of an ideal house. A number of Theta chapters are living in miserably inadequate, inconvenient, overcrowded houses: even some of our newest chapter houses lack some essentials to a satisfactory house. And so, what follows is an outline of points that must be considered and features that must be included in any Kappa Alpha Theta chapter house built in the future. Following these suggestions will not insure an ideal house—but will insure the inclusion of some essentials in planning that ideal chapter house. It is hoped too that each existing chapter house board will check the house it manages by these essentials, as the first step in plans for remodeling or building anew.

Cost

- 1. The larger number of girls a house is planned to accommodate, the larger can be the per capita cost, provided chapter situation assures a full house all the time, as overhead per capita much less when more in house.
 - 2. Unless the chapter has considerable money to begin with

a house should not cost, exclusive of land, above \$1,000 per girl it is planned to accommodate; although if have some money or property or many alumnæ willing to buy long term stocks, a house, including land, may cost as much as \$2,000 per girl in the house and yet be a safe investment.

3. Chapter house rent (paid in nine installments through the college year) should approximate $1\frac{1}{8}\%$ per month of the cost of the house, that is, a 10% a year rent return should pay for a house and look after upkeep, taxes, interest, etc. in from 20 to 25 years.

ARCHITECTURE

1. Formal style best but must be adapted to climate and also to the college's type of building.

2. Points to consider: no waste spaces; plenty of light in every room; few as possible offsets or corners, as each one increases repair bills.

3. Reasonably high ceilings; no rooms with slanting sides.

4. All social rooms on first floor should open together by wide doorways for convenience in entertaining. But there should be doors (not just drapes at openings) to insure privacy and reduce heating cost.

5. Halls should be easily accessible but should not occupy space better put into rooms. Especially true for upper floors where a foot off hall added to bedrooms makes for greater comfort sometimes, though house may be superficially less attractive than with broad halls.

6. Comfort, convenience, good taste, are to be considered always.

7. Be sure to pay for superintendence of the building to prevent cheapening or evading contract requirements.

MATERIAL

- 1. House should be of fire-proof construction. Also must have fire escapes.
- 2. Aim should be to build house that requires few repairs, the least possible outlay for upkeep.
- 3. As little surface as possible that must be painted every few years.
- 4. Painted or stenciled walls. Allow no papering of walls, as chapters can never afford to repaper often enough to keep paper fresh.

- 5. Watch carefully
 - (a) heating plan and material
 - (b) plumbing and material
 - (c) lighting plans—have many outlets to take care of shifting ideas as to furniture
 - (d) In all three of these items remember that the demands upon them will be greater than on the same things in a house the same size used as a home by a reasonably sized family. The demand is more like the demand on a small hotel.
- 6. Don't scrimp on essentials. Build so as not to have to remodel or refinish ever so often.
- 7. Have furnishings as well as building included in the original estimate of costs and financed as part of the house.

SLEEPING QUARTERS

Plans in order of preference:

- 1. Small study with two connecting single bed rooms.
- 2. Single bed rooms.
- 3. Combined study and bed room for two, one of whom sleeps on sleeping porch, other in room. (Where climate makes sleeping porch practical.)
 - 4. Combined bed room and study for every two girls. Absolute requirements:
- 1. Never more than two girls in any one room no matter how large the room.
 - 2. Never any double decker beds.
 - 3. All single beds with good springs and mattresses.
 - 4. Ventilation carefully planned.
- 5. Individual desk and dressing table for every girl. Light outlets for every study desk and dressing table. Dressing tables may be built in when house planned which saves much money.
- 6. Closets. Separate closet for each girl with shelves and drawers on one side and clothes rod on other side. Full length mirror in door of one closet in each room unless to save money such mirror is put in a bathroom or hall door.
- 7. Sleeping porches. Have several small ones rather than one large one. May be divided by simple beaver board partition but better plan is to have bath room built between sleeping porches. This will give four small porches on the two sleeping floors of a three story house.

BATHS

1. One in basement for use of help, equipped with basin, tub,

stool, and perhaps shower over tub.

- 2. One for chaperon fully equipped to be hers alone, or shared with the guest room if you have such a luxury as a guest room.
 - 3. General bath rooms.
 - a. tub for every four girls house to accommodate

b. a shower for every four girls

c. a wash basin for every three girls. An ideal plan is a combined wash basin and closets between each two rooms and no general room of wash basins.

d. A stool for every four girls, in rooms apart from the

baths.

4. Where baths, etc. are grouped in one large room each bath, each shower, each basin should be separated from every other one at least by curtains, preferably by six foot partitions. Privacy, even when washing one's hands or teeth is important in maintaining good personal habits and the dignity and morale of chapter house.

5. Every bath room should have individual wall closets or lockers, one for each girl who will use the bath room, where she can keep her own towels, soap, etc. Such a plan uses wall space otherwise wasted, keeps bathroom neat and protects girls' closets from the ill effects of damp towels hung on closet doors, etc.

6. Paper drinking cup racks kept filled with cups are necessary in every bath room as many a cold or even worse illness comes from a general use of the few glasses usually found in

fraternity bath rooms.

7. Give careful study to solving the problem of plenty of hot water at all times, day and night, without undue cost.

CHAPERON'S QUARTERS

1. A private sitting room, however small.

2. A bed room. In warmer climates this might be a sleeping porch with a bed that can swing into the living room when weather conditions make sleeping on the porch inadvisable.

3. Private bath room, or one shared only with guests.

BED ROOM FURNISHINGS

Include in plans for chaperon and girls' rooms as much built in furniture as possible. Dressing tables, closets with drawers and shelves, window seats usable as closets, etc.

BASEMENT

- 1. Furnace: investigate all types from coal to electricity. Also the possibility of a two-section furnace, so a small fire can be kept up on warmer days and thus save fuel. A hot water system is usually the best and cheapest in the end.
 - 2. Adequate storage closets for food. Also a trunk room.
 - 3. Refrigeration plants and iceless refrigerators.
 - 4. Incinerators connecting with each floor.
 - 5. System for heating bath water.
 - 6. Servants' quarters—rooms, baths, etc.

SOME GENERAL COMMENTS

- 1. If possible one small room set aside as a chapter office, equipped with desks for president, treasurer and secretary.
- 2. Telephone booth on each floor, with a system of call buttons and speaking tubes.
- 3. Breakfast nook (as modern terminology calls it) where student waiters may have their meals and so not congest the kitchen or interfere with the cook's after meal activities.
- 4. Large, well equipped dressing room or small room off hall for a cloak room, with a lavatory connected. This to be used by girls at noon to save many steps, and for transient guests who need not go above the first floor. If large enough this room can serve as a dressing room for men guests when entertaining, and be found most satisfactory.
 - 5. Butler's pantry
 - a. Have two doors to the dining room, exit and entrance, to expedite service and save breaking china.
 - b. In this pantry careful planning of shelves, dishwashing equipment, tables, etc. must be considered so as to serve many guests easily when occasion arises and to make normal service for the household efficient and pleasant. Much more important than in a house for a reasonably sized family.
- 6. Dining room should have electric plugs convenient to the table for toasters, percolators, etc. so a no-waiter breakfast service possible up to class time, with hot breakfast features. Since a chapter house is a home, the rigid meal hour in the morning which is a dormitory feature, should not prevail,—but breakfast be a come (within certain hours) and help yourself feature. Such a plan means better health, as it avoids going to class breakfastless.

- 7. There should be a cleaning closet for brooms, etc. on each floor.
- 8. There should be an ironing board and electric iron on each of upper floors, the kind that folds into the wall of hall or bath room.
- 5. If impossible to have individual studies separate from bed rooms then have one general study on each upper floor to be used by late workers and for general informal social life outside of study hours. These rooms should have study equipment in the way of desks and lights.

BETA ETA'S LODGE

ONG after every other fraternity on Pennsylvania campus was living in its own house, Thetas were living in an apartment. Suitable apartments were scarce, and the chapter moved frequently. Because the need of a permanent home was felt so keenly, long ago a building and loan fund was started, supported by \$20 pledges from graduating members. Later this was changed to \$50, to be paid before graduation. Last winter Beta Eta alumnæ organized and began to gather money by additional pledges. In the summer of 1928 a house was bought for \$8,000. A loan of \$2,000 was obtained from the national fraternity, and a mortgage of \$3,500 was placed with the building and loan society. Repairs, and the addition of a bathroom, raised the cost over \$700.

The house itself captivated us at once. We are proud of the little white frame house with green flower boxes. It is situated on one of the quieter streets of the campus, about two blocks from Bennett hall, where most of the women's classes are held.

A long, low living room, out of which rises a spiral staircase, occupies most of the first floor, with a small kitchen at the rear. On the second floor are two bedrooms and a bathroom. The third floor is a study and also holds four day beds. Eight persons can be accommodated comfortably for the night.

The house is not at present being used as a dormitory. Most of the undergraduate members commute and the cost of employing a chaperon makes a housing plan impossible. The sleeping arrangements are used for rushing, and through the rest of the year by members wishing to spend a night on the campus. Three girls may stay together or fewer with a chaperon.

Carrying charges, and the cost of coal and repairs, are met by the \$75 a month which the chapter pays the alumnæ association as rent. Further pledges of money are being used to reduce the debt, so that in nine years we hope to have the house entirely paid for.

- ESTHER MONTGOMERY HAZLETT

GOOD REPEATERS

Rho's stone lintels over the French doors have beautifully carved Kappa Alpha Theta crests, through the good luck of an architect who had supervision of carving for Nebraska's state capitol building at the same time.

A service room, equipped with irons and ironing boards and containing party gown closets, is a feature of Alpha Xi's house. This house also has a drinking fountain in each upstairs hall.

Not one big living room, but a moderate sized one with four additional living rooms—reception, sun, music, card—which can be thrown together, along with the dining room, for entertainment nights, is the wise arrangement of Delta's first floor.

When there are many town girls in a chapter, no feature is more worth copying than Alpha Lambda's "town girls room." It is a 10x12 room on second floor, with rows of built-in dressing tables around the walls—each dressing table having a mirror, lights and a tier of drawers reaching to the floor. The whole room resembles the dressing room of a private club, where each member has her own locked locker (here drawers) and is a most admirable chapter house feature.

Psi has a chapter room in the basement, which is reached by a hidden stairway, access to which is possible only to the initiated by moving a secret spring in the panelling of the reception hall.

Alpha Sigma's cook stays good natured because there is a special delivery window where groceries, etc. are received, so her floor is free from the muddy tracks of delivery boy's feet.

Chaperons at Beta Theta and Alpha Xi are provided with a private sitting room, by adding a generous dressing room to the chaperon's suite, and having a murphy bed swung therein during day time.

One of the most far-seeing contracts ever signed for a Theta chapter house was for Beta Theta's home on the Idaho campus. The original contract included furnishings for the house, so that when it was turned over to the chapter it was ready to live in, not just the usual empty house, where old furniture doesn't fit and there are no funds for new.

Tau's incinerator, with a chute door opening into the hall of each floor, is a great help in keeping rooms neat, in saving steps and labor.

AN OFFICE IN THE CHAPTER HOUSE

The twenty-eighth! Is today the twenty-eighth of November? And The Angelos letter due on the first. No, of course I'm not going to class, I'll just have to get that copy off on the eleven o'clock train! I wonder where I put that letter of instructions, and there's a list of activities somewhere in this desk, too. Hazel, is there a class in that typing room on second floor, College, first hour? Well, maybe I can use one of the typewriters at the Evergreen office. No, I can't use the house typewriter. It's been parked up in the dormitory till it's rusted or something. There! I've found that letter at last. Do you suppose those long envelopes are in Edna's desk or Irene's? Has Ruth gone? I'll just have to take some house stamps without asking. Who owns some white typing paper? Now, if I can only find a typewriter''

And so the chapter editor gets her Angelos copy off. She may not always be so rushed for time, surely. But there is, always, the scramble through her own desk and the dash from president to secretary to treasurer in order to collect the materials to begin work. Of course, the chapter editor may be inefficient. If so, there are, indeed, others. The secretary walks miles before the quarterly report is assembled. The treasurer complains because the girls disregard office hours and then interrupt her studying with indignant demands to be allowed to pay their board bill. Even the president mournfully insists that her desk is slowly settling beneath the combined load of personal and chapter correspondence, assorted books, and what not which usually come to rest upon the president's desk.

The solution of it all—late reports, neglected correspondence, hopeless files, is fairly simple. Why not have a real business office in the chapter house—an office which, above all, contains plenty of room, providing space for two or three large desks, a typewriter, and an adding machine?

The ideal fraternity office should open off the chapter room, but be provided with a second door from an outside hall. A wardrobe and deep drawers to contain fraternity paraphernalia of all kinds should be built into one entire wall of the office. Built-in files of size sufficient to hold records for several years past in order to provide easy reference should also be set into the wall. Locks with keys for every officer would necessarily be placed on these features.

Desks for the house president and treasurer, and a desk with disappearing typewriter for secretary and editor to share, would complete the

furnishings of the room.

Here the treasurer could hold office hours in a business-like manner, with chapter finances and her personal affairs completely separated.

With chapter stationery, report blanks, files, and a typewriter in good working order at hand, the work of the other officers would be greatly simplified. They could experience, also, the freedom of leaving work partially completed without putting it away, and could enjoy the sensation of locking chapter duties out of sight when they so desired.

A fraternity is a rather complicated business organization, and officers can do much to benefit or injure a chapter. An office in the house would guarantee their highest efficiency.—K Δ Angelos

CHAPTER HOUSE BUILDING NOTES

- 1. Danger in copying plans successful for men's houses, as they want more of a club house type and women want a home—also the sleeping plans in men's houses not satisfactory for girls.
- 2. Danger in too large a house, so over-sized chapter, or quantity rather than quality selections to fill house.
- 3. Environment of house has much to do with chapter morale, so every detail should be given careful consideration and its effect studied.
- 4. Climate effect on plans.
 - A. Essentials in north
 - 1. Commodious living rooms.
 - 2. Many small bed rooms.
 - 3. Splendid heating plant.
 - B. Essentials in south, or west coast.
 - 1. Airy living rooms with many French doors.
 - 2. Breezy sleeping porches.
 - 3. Wide terraces.
 - 4. Porches.
 - 5. Flower garden and landscaped grounds.
- 5. Adaptation principles.—House must be in keeping with climate, site, type of college architecture, and be near campus.
- 6. Room suggestions.
 - A. One or two small parlors beside big living room, for receiving single callers. Large living room should be furnished with several living centers, for similar reason.
 - B. If can avoid, advise against dining room and kitchen in basement—but better both there than kitchen in basement and dining room above, which complicates service and satisfactory food.
 - C. Chapter room in basement—plan for it even if must leave finishing it until later. An open fireplace in it.
 - D. Sleeping porches—three or four small ones rather than one large one.
 - E. Lounging room or general study on second floor, for exclusive use of members.
 - F. Somewhere have an isolated study room, with walls deadened to sound, for use of late study or for emergency work when rest of house socially gay, etc.

WOMEN'S QUADRANGLES, NORTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY

GREAT problem at any university is student housing. Questions arise as to what is the best and most acceptable way to house students, as to how to finance such projects, as to how to keep dormitories in repair and modern enough to meet the demands of the ever increasing population of students.

Northwestern university definitely started out to solve this problem. After thorough investigation and careful study of existing conditions, a plan was adopted which is proving satisfactory. A decade or more ago a realization of the plan began with the erection of the first units for men students, a group of houses, each accommodating from 30 to 40 students, each a complete home including dining room service, some units being fraternity owned chapter houses, others being dormitories for non-fraternity men students.

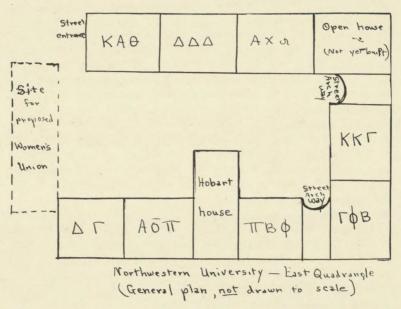
Realization of a similar plan for women students was delayed some years, partly because of building and financial conditions following war years. In September 1927 fourteen new dormitory units, the nucleuses of two residence quadrangles, were completed and ready for occupancy. Each of these was a chapter house, erected by a national woman's fraternity. By September 1929 two open houses (dormitories for upperclass women not members of fraternities) were added to these quadrangles. In time, Willard hall, now a freshman dormitory, and the other old "approved" houses, will be abandoned, as money is available to add new units to existing quadrangles, or to start new quadrangles.

The university financed the building of both the fraternity houses, and the open dormitories. These houses stand on university owned land, but through the payment of annual rent for the chapter houses, the individual fraternity associations will eventually own their chapter houses. Before starting the chapter houses, the university required that each fraternity raise a certain sum, approximately one fourth the cost of the house, as a first payment on the house. The group which raised this quota first, had first choice of location; the second to succeed, next choice; and so on down the line. Kappa Alpha Theta being first to raise the necessary amount, \$20,000, had the privilege of first choice of site.

In designing the houses the university called in many archi-

tects, appointing at the head of this committee J. Gamble Rogers, designer of the Harkness memorial at Yale. Consulting with these architects for the university was an architect chosen by each fraternity to design its house. All the houses had to conform to a general plan, so that the architecture of a quadrangle would be a harmonious unit, but each fraternity was at liberty to arrange its interior floor plans as it preferred.

In the construction of the two open houses—Rogers house and Hobart house—so far erected, the university has spared no



effort or expense in making them as attractive as any of the fraternity houses. All conveniences are included, the best of furniture is provided, each room is decorated most attractively.

When the houses were ready for the girls, Northwestern university prepared a budget for each house, covering all running expenses such as food, fuel, service, chaperon, lights, repairs, equipment, water. Some of the houses have been able to keep well within the budget, while others have not been so fortunate. The treasurer of Tau has worked constantly with Theta's house mother to keep expenses within the budget, and through the strict accounting required by the Bussey system used by the fraternity, much money has been saved in the two years. In the last report from the university, Kappa Alpha Theta was

listed as "average" that is within its budget by a small margin.

Kappa Alpha Theta's rent is \$5,000 a year, which meets the interest on the bonds held by the university and retires one

\$1,000 bond each year.

The bill for furnishing Tau's house was a little over thirty thousand dollars. This entire debt was assumed by the chapter's alumnæ, the undergraduates contributing only the house pledges. (Every girl pledged to the chapter must make a house pledge, which must be paid just preceding her initiation.) Through the untiring efforts of alumnæ who have raised money by every conceivable means, as well as making generous individual gifts, the original debt has been reduced in two years to \$7,000. Plans call for the clearing up of the debt within the next two years, through house pledges of new members and the profits of the Theta book-shop. After that the furniture up-keep will be the responsibility of the college chapter.

The general plan of all houses on a quadrangle is much the same, so this article will describe the Theta house as an example of house arrangement. To the left of the main entrance is a stairway leading down to the dining-room, a pleasant, well lighted, and cheerfully decorated room furnished with six tables, each seating eight girls. In direct connection with the dining-room is a butler's pantry and a large, spotless, white kitchen. The laundry, food store rooms, and a cold storage room are all directly connected with the kitchen. In the basement also are a trunk room, and comfortable quarters for cook

and two maids.

The first floor is well proportioned. A main entry leads into a pleasant hall, from which is entered the living-room, both homey and attractive. This room is finished in a general color scheme of rose and green, carefully worked out in hangings, rugs, curtains, and chairs scattered about the room. At the east end is a cheerful fireplace, over which hangs an oil painting of still life from which the color scheme of the room was planned. Grouped about the fireplace are two love seats in rose, and a divan of soft old green. At the opposite end of the room is a grand piano. In the middle of the room, is a long table with twin lamps.

Adjoining the living room is the library, a smaller room with built in bookcases, half of which are filled with books and the other half with trophy cups. Leading directly from the library and on out into the hall again, is a small reception room,

used for callers who are waiting for their "dates." On the other side of the hall is the office where a large bulletin board gives important notices to members, and a desk where girls sign out when leaving the house during the evening or for weekends. A small lavatory adjoins the office, the two easily convertible into a cloak room when the chapter entertains. Further down the hall, and somewhat set back by a little separate hallway, are the quarters of the chaperon, a sitting room, bedroom, and bath. On this first floor also is the guest suite, bedroom and bath. In many of the houses guest room and chaperon's suite are joined by a common bath. This has proved an undesirable plan, since fathers as well as mothers of members are often desired as chapter house guests.

The second and third floors of Tau's house are devoted to sleeping and study quarters for members. There are both double and single bedrooms, all most livable. Each double room has been equipped with two single beds with box mattresses, two desks, two chairs, two dressers with long mirrors, two ample clothes closets, rugs, curtains, bed spreads, lamps, and even dresser covers. Single rooms are similarly furnished. A different color scheme was worked out for each room, even to the smallest detail. With the exception of dressers and chairs, all the furniture in the bedrooms is hand painted.

On the second floor is a large study hall, used for pledge meetings, and for study by members. Telephone booths are built in on each floor. At the end of each floor is a washroom with six bowls, two showers, and two tubs, all finished in white. Each floor also has a large linen closet in which are stored many house supplies.

The fourth, or top, floor is divided into three store rooms, and the chapter hall. Two store rooms are used by girls and chaperon for things they wish to pack away for a while, the other one is used for Theta files.

Limited space necessitates omission of details regarding many attractive features and unusual conveniences of our house.

All quadrangle houses, including the two open houses, are built on the same scale and all possess similar interior attractiveness, though some of the houses are more lavishly furnished than are others.

Northwestern university has developed a splendid plan of wise handling of the housing problem. It looks forward to the erection of more quadrangles of both open houses and fraternity houses, until there is room in such units for all the students.

VIRGINIA SAUNDERS, Tau

CHI'S NEW HOME

FINANCE

HI'S new home stands on the same lot as did the house which last May's fire destroyed. That property, bought in 1912, was owned by a stock corporation, Chi association of Kappa Alpha Theta, Inc. in which each share of membership common stock at twenty-five dollars per share gave one vote. The lot, centrally located and appraised at \$15,000, and \$3,774.27 left from insurance money after cleaning up the mortgage, formed the chief assets of the corporation after the fire last spring. Now it has on the lot a new house costing \$56,700, for erection and carrying costs.

To finance this project the stockholders, at the recommendation of the board of directors voted to increase the capital to \$52,000, covering 1,700 shares of membership common stock and 380 shares of non-membership preferred. A finance committee set out to secure from the four hundred alumnæ and college girls stock subscriptions to the amount of \$30,000, payable as far as possible by October 1, 1930. In order to have cash on hand for prompt construction payments a first mortgage of \$25,000 was secured and \$15,000 worth of 5 per cent second mortgage bonds were issued in \$500 and \$100 denominations, with interest waived until October 1, 1930.

The college chapter and the alumnæ have responded generously to the appeal for subscriptions to stock, \$26,500 having already been pledged; \$10,800 by the college girls and \$15,700 by alumnæ. Of this total \$14,377.75 had been paid in by the middle of March. Generous Theta relatives and friends have bought \$13,200 worth of bonds. These figures include a cash payment of \$5,000 for stock from one alumna and a purchase of \$5,000 worth of bonds by her husband for which the corporation has no responsibility as to interest or redemption.

This very generous alumna and her husband, Mr and Mrs Harry R. Templeton of Buffalo, New York, have been much interested in college housing problems since their son, a Phi Psi, and their daughter, a Chi sophomore, have been in Syracuse university. In the Theta house this interest shows itself in some of the vital comfort features of the house as well as in the artistic downstairs furniture, a gift from them to Chi chapter—a gift which will bring Chi's furniture assets to \$18,000. Indeed without their loyal and intelligent interest and their generous cooperation with both time and money Chi could not now have a

house so outstandingly equipped for its health, comfort and work, as well as for its social and chapter needs.

MABEL PARKER STILWELL '00

THE HOUSE

Within the past week Chi has moved into its beautiful new home. Built in the English style, of brick and stucco, and with a wide terrace in the front, it presents a handsome and an attractive appearance to passersby on the street. But the chapter feels especially proud of the gorgeous furnishings which make its interior a place of luxury and comfort and artistic beauty.

There is a walk which leads to the entrance on the left side of the house. Passing through the double door, we confront two stairways, one leading to the basement, the other to the first and main floor. Let us observe the latter now. Ascending a number of wide steps we find ourselves in the lounge, and the impression felt immediately is one of spaciousness and hushed quiet. The entire downstairs floor is covered with heavy taupe-colored carpets which catch all sounds. At the right of the topmost step there is a console and a hanging mirror. Walking into the room, we see numerous oil paintings, one of which is The boy with the torn hat. A comfortable davenport as well as large lounging chairs make the room a place of ease as well as of beauty. Directly opposite the stairway there is a long black walnut table upon which stands a velvet-shaded lamp with a carved metal base. On the right a gorgeous tapestry adorns the wall. hangs eight by ten feet, and embodies the Renaissance type of art. By the left wall stands a tall grandfather's clock. Rich oriental rugs are laid on the floor, and over these we pass now into the drawing room. It stretches the entire width of the house, and is forty-five by twenty feet in dimension. It is lighted during the daytime through windows stretching across the whole front wall, and in the evening by numerous table and floor lamps and by wall lights. A tall French door opens upon the wide terrace which stands several feet from the ground. The curtains to this casement are fashioned in the pinch-pleated style, as are the remaining drapes in the house, and are of a soft red hue. In the center of the drawing room a large oak Jacobean table holds a rich lamp, as well as rare bowls of Belgian glass. Green frisee davenports shelter each side of it, and all about the spacious room are placed formal lounging chairs, and throne chairs, and straightbacked chairs.

Let us select a representative corner or two of this room and

allow that selection to be sufficient for its description. At the end on the left there is a long Queen Anne table, above which a tall mirror hangs, and upon the table's black surface a silver service stands, sheltered on either hand by a tall silver electric candlestick. And turning now from this view to the opposite end of the room, we find that it boasts an arched brick fireplace, and a comfortable and secluded love-nest nearby to complete its coziness. The warm tints of oriental rugs, of rare oil paintings, and of soft-shaded lamps cast a glow about the entire drawing room and accentuate the richness and stability of its furnishings.

Passing now through the arched open doorway, we cross through the lounge into another similar doorway which opens onto the library. Shelves for books line the walls. In the center of the wall to the right of the entrance there is another fireplace, and above it is a large oil painting of a ship. Hanging from the opposite wall there is a crewel embroidered tapestry, several feet square in size, and it is softly lighted by a hand carved red Chinese lamp standing near it, on a table. Davenports and armchairs are placed about the room and make the spot a favorite one for the girls in the daytime.

Our chaperon's sitting room is much like the other rooms already described. It is situated on the western corner of the house, and is comfortable with lamps, a table, rugs, pictures and chairs.

Coming back into the lounge preparatory to an inspection of the two upper halls, we climb the carpeted staircase which leads to the second story. The same carpets line the upper halls and staircases that are present downstairs. A straight narrow hall runs the length of the house, and on either side are the bedrooms of the girls. They accommodate twenty-six in all, and in addition there is a room for city girls which provides sleeping room for three. The walls of these rooms are craftex and are tinted in pale buff or pale green shades. They are furnished with Queen Anne dressing tables and desks as well as dainty flowered chintz chairs. Four-poster beds make these rooms additionally attractive to those who are living in the house. Individual color schemes are carried out by the girls themselves.

The bathrooms, too, deserve especial mention. There is a large one on each of the upper floors, done in white and green tile, and they are amply supplied with baths and showers and individual racks and soap dishes.

As for the basement, which we shall observe after all else, it

contains those two essential rooms, the dining-room and the kitchen. The latter is provided with the latest conveniences in kitchen and cooking equipment, and is large enough to accommodate a large stove, sinks, tables, a steam table, ample cupboards, zinc covered counters, and an adequate electric refrigerator. The dining-room, long and low, is lighted by soft electric wall lights and by table candles during dinner. The pride of the house, the chapter room, is situated also in the basement, and in the history of Chi, it excels in appropriateness and dignity.

Every girl in our chapter loves and is grateful for the beauty of the new house, and every girl feels and knows that it is a strong background for our activities on campus, and our activities in Theta.

MARGARET B. IGLEHART '31

THE CHAPTER HALL

The Chapter hall, located in the basement where the diningroom and kitchen are also, contains many unique features. The furnishings are walnut as are the beams of the ceiling. Highback benches are on three sides of the room, as well as throughout the room which has for its floor covering a taupe rug.

At the front of the hall the panelling from the other house has been used effectively. It, too, is stained walnut. This panelling makes the background for the dais which is at that end of the room. It is set off by a low railing and on it are a desk and three carved high-back chairs for the officers.

The president's chair was given by daughters of Chi Thetas. The brass plate on it bears the names of the donors: Jessie Louise Lewis, ex-'18, A. Marion Stranahan '21, Helen Chamberlin Buxton, ex-'25, Ruth Tracy Ryan '29, Margaret B. Iglehart '31, Gertrude H. Templeton '31. This was presented at the first chapter meeting in the new hall, March 25.

On the wall is a bronze tablet, 30 inches by 15 inches, the inscription of which reads:

This chapter hall is dedicated to the charter members of Chi chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, to whose valor and devotion we owe our privilege of sisterhood.

Florence A. Larrabee Ada V. Parker Marcia A. Carpenter
Elsa L. Ames Mary E. Brown Jessica B. Marshall
Louise P. Graff Lulu Kern Martha A. Beecher
Mary A. Day Pauline Jennings Anna C. Dudley
Katherine Van Benschoten

This tablet erected by the alumnæ

A picture of the charter members, given by Florence A. Lar-

rabee, also hangs on one of the walls.

Formal dedication of the Chapter hall to Chi's charter members and the unveiling of the tablet followed the banquet on the evening of April 13. The program follows:

Opening candle service—Dorothy Crampton Harney, president of Syracuse alumnæ chapter

Solo—Theta Prayer—Katherine Coe '30

Theta Code-Jennie M. Bingham '00

Unveiling of tablet—Lola Searles Revels '05

Marion Kent Ide '24

Presentation of tablet-Lena Hoose Markham '99

Acceptance of tablet—Dorothy Stowell '29, president of Chi chapter

Remarks—Charter Members—Miss L. Pearle Green, Grand secretary

Mrs J. E. McKinney, District president Dean Iva Lowther Peters '01

Quartet-Homage to Theta-From Chi

HAZEL BARNASKEY TRAGE '22

MEMORY ROOMS

A feature of the new house are the memory rooms furnished by relatives of deceased Thetas. Thetas honored thus are:

Maude Millington Pelton '05

Maisa Parker Nusbickel '04

Camilla Quachenbush Cristman '03

Mary Yard Dean '25

Frances Caffisch Delling '16

Eloise Roberts '19

Elizabeth Alice Cunningham '03

Marion Ferguson '05

A room was furnished in memory of Charlotte Harkness Templeton by her son, Harry Templeton.

Other donors of rooms are Gertrude Kemp Templeton '04, the Buffalo alumnæ club and the Syracuse alumnæ chapter.

Hazel Barnaskey Trage '22

CHI'S HOUSEWARMING AND BANQUET

HI'S new house was opened with a formal reception, during the afternoon and evening of April 12. Nine hundred were received. The decorations were elaborate, with seventeen baskets of flowers, sent as gifts by fraternity and city friends, added to the committee's orders. Roses and spring flowers made gay the rooms whose corners were banked with ferns. A small orchestra played both afternoon and evening.

After being shown all over the house, guests went to the dining room where ices, cakes, and mints were served from a table laid with choice linen and adorned with sweet peas and

nile green lighted tapers.

Saturday evening, one hundred sixty-three Thetas gathered at the chapter house for the fortieth annual initiation banquet. After dinner was served, congratulatory telegrams from Thetas absent, and from friends, were read, and two engagements (Louise Moller '29 to John M. Keese, III, also '29; and Frances Terwilliger '18 to Elmer T. Samson) and one marriage (Josephine Sharp '28 to Joseph Parker, also '28) were announced. After an interesting toast program, all went to the chapter hall for the impressive dedication of the hall to the Founders of Chi chapter. Chi is the first chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta to honor its founders in this way. Five of the thirteen charter members were present, and after the memory tablet was unveiled each of these-Marcia Carpenter Piper, Florence Larrabee, Ada Parker O'Brien, Louise Graff Lewis, and Katherine Van Benschoten Hinman—spoke interestingly of early chapter struggles and pleasures.

Sunday afternoon the college chapter entertained at tea, these charter members and the Grand officers present—Miss L. Pearle Green and Mrs Jeannette Gemmill Grasett. During the afternoon the out-of-town alumnæ came to the house, too, for

conversation and an impromptu musicale.

Among out-of-town alumnæ who returned for this notable week-end were: from New York state—Blanche Merritt Baker, Mexico; Dorothy Beech Canfield, Rome; Hilda DeBrine, Marion Whelpley Lawrence, Helen Romig, Frances Holmes Vincent, Rochester; Evelyn Eilert, Pelham Manor; Mary Fitzpatrick; Olean; Dorothy Dimmick Harrison, Mabel Kurtz, Marcia Carpenter Piper, Hildred Newell Richmond, Winifred Tuttle, Gertrude Kemp Templeton, Buffalo; Margaret Hill, Clara Terwilliger, New York city; Mary Hill Yanney, Albany; Elma Hodges

Lape, Cora E. Soper, Adelaide Van Alstine Yard, Utica; Madeline Mahoney, Lorna Noyes, Brooklyn; Ada Parker O'Brien, Port Gibson; Mary Holmes Richards, Vera Sweet Schultz, Phoenix; Esther Stark Wallace, Goshen; Bricea Wright Faus, White Plains; Angeline Shultz, Howell; Lydia Greenleaf Casler, Watertown; from New Jersey—DeEtta Holmes Brush, Bound Brook; Aletta Henderson Munz, Glen Rock; Mildred Newman, Josephine Sharpe Parker, Montclair; Helen Volckman Miles, Norwood; Alice Taylor Payne, Elsa Volckman, Bloomfield; Katherine Rawley, East Orange; from Delaware—Anastasia Cody Keedy, Wilmington; from Pennsylvania—Jessie Lewis, Louise Graff Lewis, Lansdowne; Frances Terwilliger, Scranton.

MIAMI PANHELLENIC

Miami Panhellenic recently gave a delightful musical tea at a beautiful Bay Shore residence in Coconut Grove. The setting was magnificent. An Italian villa with colonnaded porticos, fronted by a white tiled swimming pool, and beyond that rows of giant royal palms leading down to Biscayne Bay, a distance of something over five hundred feet. Overhead a full moon and everywhere flowering shrubs and the fragrance of Southern flowers.

The program of dancing and music was given from the portico and around the pool, and took the form of a farewell to Ruth Bryan Owen, Florida's first national congresswoman, an honored member of Delta Gamma and of Panhellenic. The Dance of the pages was suggestive of Mrs Owens' future in Washington. The tower scene from Il Trovatore was sung; Bonita Finney, Alpha Phi, from Rio Rita, danced in costume; there was a Russian dance in costume; the Aeolian chorus from the University of Miami sang in colorful Spanish costumes.

This elaborate program was the outgrowth of a Theta's idea, for it was Mrs Lucy Merrill Conklin, Pi, that started the Panhellenic. Now it is one of the most flourishing organizations of the Miami district, and maintains regularly five scholarships in Florida colleges. Each fraternity in turn entertains the biweekly meetings, every other one a luncheon, Kappa Alpha Theta has its turn April 20, as hostess to the bridge tournament players who have met all winter in sections all over Miami to play for the benefit of the scholarship fund. Two hundred fifty guests are expected and tea will be served on the beautiful lawn of Mrs Francis Dolan, whose daughter Helen is a Theta at the University of Minnesota.

OFFICE SPOKESMAN

OLONIZATION seems to be so differently conducted by different fraternities, and so differently explained by different members of Kappa Alpha Theta, that the office here attempts to set forth just how colonization works in Kappa Alpha Theta. The fraternity officers, or a group of chapters, decide that a certain university is a strategic one for Kappa Alpha Theta. Because many fraternities are already well established there; because existing locals have not been clever in their choice of members; or because much desirable fraternity material is still nonfraternity-maybe including girls with Theta affiliations elsewhere that prefer not to join any fraternity if no Theta chapter is at hand-Kappa Alpha Theta believes that the best way to enter that university would be to organize its own group of charter members. And so, chapters, a district, or officers, present the situation to Grand convention with recommendation that the fraternity colonize at said institution. If convention votes to colonize there, the responsibility of doing so is placed upon Grand council, aided by Thetas resident near the college.

At the convention in June, 1928, following a recommendation from District VIII chapters, it was voted to attempt colonization at Southern Methodist university. As Theta has a large representative alumnæ chapter in Dallas, Grand Council authorized Mrs Weaver, District president, to get in touch with Dallas alumnæ and encourage them to do the preliminary work in organizing a colony. The successful way in which Dallas alumnæ rushed and pledged a group is told elsewhere in this issue.

When the group was well started, the Grand vice-president. Mrs Banta, in charge of all extension, went to Dallas to inspect the group. After some days of observation and getting acquainted, Mrs Banta gave her hearty approval of the group as formed and consulted with alumnæ and group as to further advances that must be made before a charter could be expected. By early February the group had met all these conditions, being so well organized, so established on campus, made up of such attractive personnel, that Dallas alumnæ and Grand council were convinced it was ready for a charter—and so Beta Sigma chapter became a fact.

The only other colonized chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta is Beta Omicron at the University of Iowa, where procedure was similar, though there were only a few alumnæ living in Iowa city to direct the organizing, instead of an active alumnæ chap-

ter, such as undertook the work at Dallas.

A vote to attempt colonization, does not mean that a chapter will materialize at the chosen university—that all depends upon whether or not the organizing of a satisfactory group (one able at once to take its place as a real Theta chapter) proves possible. In only these two instances, so far, has a Kappa Alpha Theta chapter materialized from colonization.

CHAPTER HOMES was the subject chosen for emphasis in this issue—with the hope that a group of practical, constructive articles might be helpful in aiding ambitious chapters to start building plans, and in encouraging chapters poorly housed to plan for better homes. Realizing that chapter house building plans must have the support of alumnæ, even if they do not originate with them, every alumna reader is urged to study the suggestions here as they may be made applicable to her chapter.

It is impossible to put on paper the intangible but exceedingly real influence of a harmonious, comfortable house in upholding fine chapter social standards, in encouraging good scholarship, in aiding in cultural growth. Universities are coming to appreciate these values in planning new college dormitories, where the bare necessitites of the past are being supplanted by comfort, fine furnishings, and an attempt to create the atmosphere of a well bred home. Chapter houses should lead in this movement for better housing, not lag behind, so that dormitory living becomes preferable to chapter house living. Chapter house living has many advantages except in the rare instances where universities are building dormitory units for forty or less girls, each with its own separate dining room. A household for more than forty becomes an institution, in spite of the best efforts of those in charge, and so looses the subtle, but valuable home atmosphere, and direct influence possible only in a small, united household.

Chi's alumnæ have shown deep and intelligent appreciation of the value of proper environment in the house just dedicated. They have had also a modern fairy godmother and godfather in Mr and Mrs Templeton (a Theta husband and father is Mr Templeton). Northwestern Thetas developed an equally satisfactory home two years ago. At many other colleges, Theta has led in providing commodious, comfortable houses, though too often it has not planned to meet the need to furnish and equip a house in keeping with its architectural perfection and in the good taste and comfort to make it a satisfactory home.

New chapter house enterprises are under way. The walls of Alpha Rho's house are partly up; a consideration of better housing for Alpha Chi is Lafayette alumnæ club's chief concern this spring; Los Angeles alumnæ are planning for Beta Xi to have a house on its new campus; Alpha Kappa alumnæ are struggling with the question of lodge or house as the best solution when Adelphi moves to its new campus next September; Beta Pi is looking for lots and expecting to build soon; while Gamma but awaits the grading, etc. of the new campus, before starting the house for which plans were made and approved more than a year ago.

CHAPTER LETTERS: Since the opinion as to chapter letters printed, or omitted, as presented in the March issue was all for retaining the same, it seems fair to quote a letter just received which gives an opposite opinion:

Chapter news in the magazine. I for one do not care for them. So much space taken up with news about activities in college. I want news about the doings of the alumnæ. What are they doing? Married? Babies? Moved? That is what I like! What do I care if Mary Jones (whom I have never seen) is initiated into a club. Susie Smith is elected president of a club. A dance was held, etc. The active members know all these things. And the alumnæ do not know the girls. More and more and better alumnæ news! And use the space now devoted to chapter news for outstanding events of interest to all Thetas—both in and out of the active chapters.

Does this voice the opinion of many alumnæ? No doubt all want more alumnæ news, as does the editor. The way to get more alumnæ news is for alumnæ to send in the news—space is always found for all news received, even when chapter letters are printed. But though the two problems are distinct—the question remains, do readers read the chapter letters, do they want them in every issue?

National Membership Cards were authorized for Kappa Alpha Theta at last convention. Secretaries of alumnæ chapters will use these cards as receipts for the payment of alumnæ chapter dues. Alumnæ secretary and Grand secretary will send cards to those alumnæ who pay association dues direct to either office. These cards will not be issued to members still active in college chapters, or to non-due paying alumnæ. They are intended to show active alumnæ membership; and to serve as introduction cards for Thetas joining new Theta alumnæ groups, or visiting in cities where there are organized Theta chapters or clubs.

COURTESY WEEK

LMOST two thousand years ago a great teacher said, "When I was a child I acted as a child, but when I became a man I put aside childish things."

An editorial in the *Ohio State lantern* forcefully asserts itself, "Never yet has there lived a college student who admitted his maturity, and yet we are surrounded on all sides by people who clamor loudly for the title of manhood, but who yet have failed to meet the solitary prerequisite of laying aside their childish practices."

The Cardinal of the University of Wisconsin says, "Hell week is only a remnant of a state of primitiveness among fraternities that each and every one ought hurriedly abolish. No Greek-letter society can change a man's character in one week. No description or condemnation of hell week practices can be too strong to prove the utter asininity of the whole business. Sooner or later fraternities will be freed of all their stoneage handicaps."

Hell week is in itself a vestige of barbarism that has existed since about 1900. According to one able historian, the horse-play was introduced by fraternities that lacked proper initiation ritual, and was carried on as a means of padding the ceremony.

It is difficult to believe that wearing one's clothes backwards and acting foolish at the dinner table will definitely contribute toward the development of a freshman's character. Certainly nothing that a chapter can do to one girl in four days can pound loyalty, courtesy, daintiness, tact, or a complete change of mannerism into her well established self.

Ridiculous hats, doll carriages, and bright parasols may cause merriment among the safely initiated sisters, but it is doubtful whether or not the plume on the hat is going to instill loyalty and obedience into the heart of the initiate! At a certain college in the middle west, a young man was recently knocked halfway across the living room of a fraternity house, because he failed to please the whim of some lordly junior. Another campus has a paddling ground, where the green caps bow to community whacks.

This year there is anti-hell week propaganda in almost every university and fraternity publication one may read. But nearly one year before the presses hummed with scathing articles, Kappa Alpha Theta had a vision. It took shape in the form of a substitution. The words "Hell week" faded surely and steadily

from our activities, and stretching out toward maturity they expanded, strengthened, and changed to the dignified title of

"Kappa Alpha Theta Courtesy week."

When the outline of this new program was mentioned in National Panhellenic, Mrs Lebrecht got up and explained, in detail, what our fraternity was asking of its college chapters. The approval of this plan was marked. Questions were asked, and notes made. Several editors went home to make comment upon Courtesy week in their various magazines.

Through the medium of this custom, the initiates of our fraternity must take their vows and receive their badges with the reverence born of the dignity of a well-ordered preparation.

It would be a complete disillusionment, in fact a betrayal, if any chapter of the fraternity failed to abide by the rules governing our Courtesy week. We have gained a certain amount of fame. We must sustain it! As each chapter pledged its allegiance to the national organization, it enjoyed new privileges and, in return, promised to assume the duties of the new relation. Courtesy week is both a duty and a privilege!

Kappa Alpha Theta has "put aside childish things," and assumed a poise and dignity in accordance with her high ideals!

MARGARET KILLEN BANTA

ALUMNÆ INVESTMENT

In the January Journal were some little skits on What Theta means to me. I was struck by the phrase "One must give to gain in friend-liness."

The thought comes to me, What are alumnæ chapters giving in friend-liness to the Thetas in their cities who are not affiliated with the chapters? What is the attitude toward the stranger Theta who comes within their gates? If she attends a meeting, do the members sit back and wait to see if she is "taken up"; or do they take her in as one of them, "take her up" themselves and introduce her to those who they think would be congenial? And the shy graduate just out of college, do they show an interest in her, as older sisters? Or is their attitude, "Oh, she's so young, she won't fit in?" Just how hard does the chapter try to win back the one who has lost interest? Did you ever hear anyone say, "She never did anything anyway. Let her go?" Here's where the parable of the ninety-and-nine might come in. Ought not the alumnæ chapter to be an altruistic organization?

The world is made up of all sorts of people. So is Kappa Alpha Theta. Will the alumnæ chapter go after all of them for the sake of strengthening the fraternity? Kappa Alpha Theta is an investment in friendship. The chapter dividends will be commensurate with the interest

of its members in their sister Thetas.



"There were 102 years of New Orleans tradition behind the phenomenon that made Beecye Casanas, on Shrove Tuesday, February 12, unique among U.S. girls. On that day she was revealed as Queen of Mardi Gras. In her honor there was revelry. The Queen of the New Orleans Mardi Gras is not the winner of a beauty contest (though Miss Casanas might easily win such a contest) but is chosen by a few leaders of perhaps the only old-worldly society left in the U.S."

Beecye Casanas received her A.B. in June 1928 from Randolph-Macon, where she was an outstanding member of Kappa Alpha Theta, a charming leader in activities, a fine student, and a loved chapter mate.

"This magazine couldn't run without her."

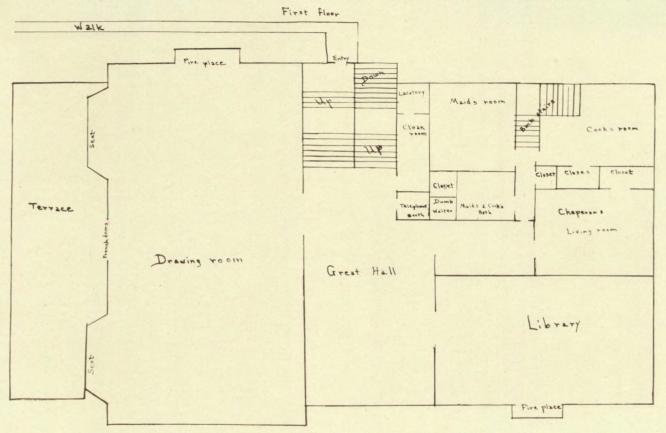
"This magazine" is John Martin's book, beloved by many children. This valuation of Helen Waldo is quoted from John Martin, originator and owner of said magazine. As its associate editor, Miss Waldo selects the copy, and the artists to illustrate it, plans how each page shall look—and incidentally writes not a little of its contents.

Helen Waldo started out to be a singer, but music is now her avocation because "It always seemed to me a pity to take money for song—for what was a gift." And yet—she is a trained musician with a delightful voice, who has never allowed her music to lapse, still taking a lesson each week with William Nelson Burritt, with whom she has studied 20 years. She and John Martin give joint programs—he lecturing on children to grownups, or telling stories to children, while Miss Waldo illustrates either type of program with song. Songs of childhood, folklore, and plantation melodies are her favorites.

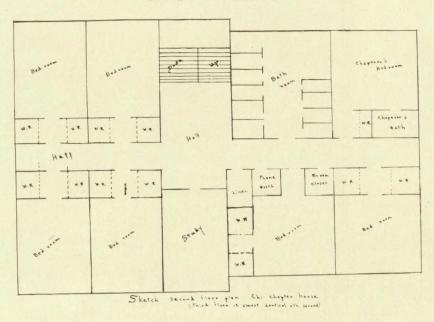
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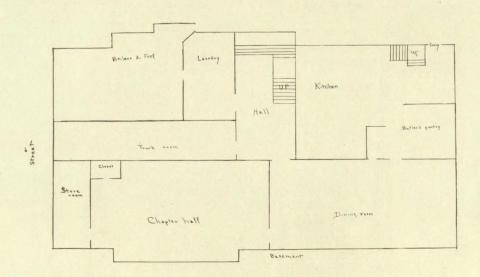


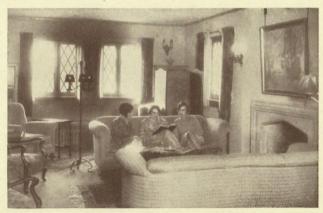
FLOOR PLAN SKETCHES—CHI'S NEW HOUSE, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



CHI'S NEW HOUSE









INTERIOR
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Mrs Katherine Abbot Cox, Epsilon, and her son Gardner in her painting studio of their home— 88 Garden street, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Taken in 1929.







Asa Gray house, Cambridge, now the home of Katherine Abbot Cox.

INTRODUCING BETA BETA CELEBRITIES (see page 410)



ELIZABETH GOUTH



NORMA SCHENTZ



RITA BREWSTER AND MARY ALICE BECK

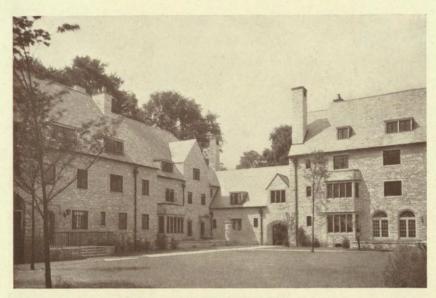


MARGARET L. THOMAS AND BARBARA STRATTON



SARA DAVIS—VIRGINIA COCHRAN AND MARION HITLER

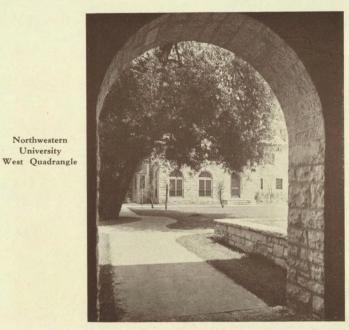
EAST QUADRANGLE, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY



 $K\ K\ \Gamma\ --\Gamma\ \Phi\ B\ --\ STREET\ ARCH\ --\ \Pi\ \Phi\ B$ Part of Grass Court of East Quadrangle—Northwestern University. In winter the Court is flooded and used as a skating rink.



Hobart house just before completion, corner of Π B Φ house shows at left.



Northwestern

University

Looking through archway from street Kappa Delta house beyond the tree



Tau's Living Room (For exterior Tau house see issue of November, 1928)

MAUDE BELL PLOWMAN AND HER CAMBRIDGE HOMES





Home built by Professor Bond, first director of Harvard Observatory. Bought by the Plowmans in 1920. In this home Mrs Plowman was frequently hostess to Boston alumnæ.

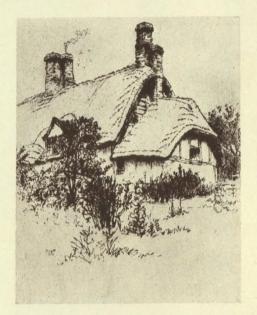


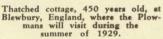
Taken in London, 1927



Interior of the present studio home of the Plowmans in Bond estate, adjoining the new Gray gardens.

ETCHINGS OF GEORGE T. PLOWMAN



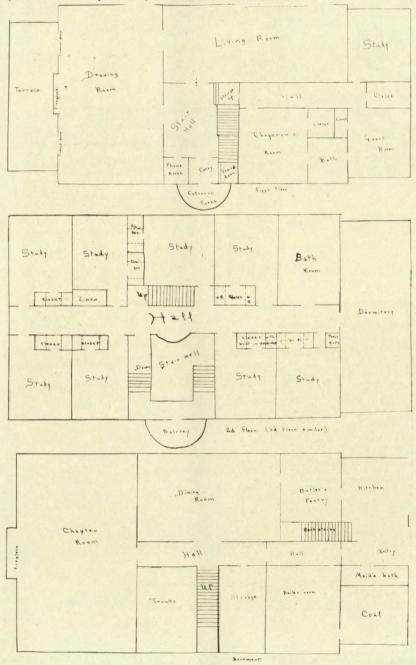




South college, Union College, Schenectady, New York, one of the few buildings of Union College when Mrs Plowman's grandfather, Erastus Curtis, graduated from Union in 1829—just one hundred years ago.

RHO'S CHAPTER HOUSE—SKETCHES OF FLOOR PLAN

Suggestions from chapter from experience: closets should be larger, more baths needed, buzzer system desirable. "Open stairway too much of a fire hazard."—G.T.





MARGARET WATSON HOOVER March 2, 1929

Mrs Herbert Hoover and house guests at the Amaryllis show. Mrs Herbert Hoover, jr. (Margaret Watson) and her small daughter, Peggy Anne Hoover, are at the left next to the amaryllis blossoms.



In outrigger canoe at Waikiki, December 7, 1928 Philip Gordon, Nancy Sasser, Anne Wood





Leis Welcome at Honolulu!

Anne Wood is the girl with the figured coat.



Wat Arun, Siam. Anne Wood is the extreme right of group, which climbed half-way up the temple dome.



CHARLOTTE SCHUCHARDT WOODRUFF AS BEVERLY BREON





ROBERTA SYLVESTER

"There are co-ed orators, at least Miss Roberta Sylvester of Fort Collins, student of Colorado agricultural college, proved herself to be one when she won the second intramural contest on the Aggie campus February 26, 1929."—Denver Post.

Roberta Sylvester, Beta Gamma chapter, won from a group of eight contestants. The contest was sponsored by Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic society. Roberta was warded a small individual loving cup, while the large contest cup went to Beta Gamma of Kappa Alpha Theta until won by a representative of another group. For the past two years Sigma Chi has held the cup.

BETA SIGMA CHAPTER AND PLEDGES



Photograph by Bachrach

Standing left to right: Frances Smith, Marjorie Young, Madeline Roach, Willette Jerrell, Louise Guthrey, Helen Johnson, Virginia Dupies, Virginia Steele, Georganna Bowers, Sara Clark, Allyne Graber, Aurelia Pearson.

Seated left to right: Elizabeth Nichols, Christeen Chitwood, Myrtle McIntosh, Etoile McFadin, Frances Debogory, Kathleen Tally, Mary Netterville, Virginia Treadwell.

Not appearing in picture: Virginia Leddy Somerville.

BETA SIGMA INSTALLATION

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY, MARCH 8-9-10

HILE Kappa Alpha Thetas everywhere were wearing the colors for the installation of a brand new chapter, we were rejoicing in Dallas, because we felt that colonization at Southern Methodist university had been a tremendous success.

During second semester rushing, six new girls were pledged,

enlarging the group to twenty-one.

Because the personnel of a new chapter is an intensely interesting matter, I am going to include a list of the girls, and only a word or two about their individual honors. Suffice it to say, that the detailed accounts would take up pages and pages.

Mary Netterville—Dallas. Linz award (average above 90); salutatorian; national oratorical contest; lead in senior play.

Christeen Chitwood—San Angelo, Texas. Prominent in de-

bating; president of pep club in high school.

Myrtle McIntosh—Ratoon, New Mexico. Debating; basket-ball; Glee club; Dramatic club.

Etoile McFadin—Dallas. Dramatic club; vice-president of

Dallas club at T.C.U.; princess for All-college circus.

Elizabeth Nichols—Dallas. Honorary swimming club; honorary dancing club; medal in athletics; Dramatic club.

Virginia Treadwell—Dallas. Little theater; editor of annual

in high school; president of freshman class at C.I.A.

Kathleen Talley—Dallas. Junior from Wellesley; dramatics; English club.

Frances De Bogory—Dallas. Junior from Smith; dramatic

association; tennis team.

Willette Jarrell—Wichita Falls, Kansas. Latin club; girl reserve.

Georganna Bowers—Dallas. Latin club; Dramatic club; annual staff; basketball; Linz award.

Frances Smith—Dallas. Editor of annual; Linz award; debating club.

Helen Johnson-Port Arthur, Texas. Glee club; Dramatic

club; national honor society.

Louise Guthrie—Dallas. Theta pledge at University of Oklahoma. Presidents of freshman and sophomore classes in high school; hockey team; Dramatic club.

Virginia Steele—Dallas. Annual staff; Glee club; national

honor society.

Allyne Graber—Dallas. Best all around athlete, 1927 and 1928; girls' council; Hockaday four-cast staff.

The new pledges include:

Sara Clark—Dallas. Winner of Dallas county girls' single tennis championship; winner of the Highland Park single tennis championship; Dramatic club.

Aurelia Pearson—Dallas. Swimming team; volleyball; Dra-

matic club.

Virginia Dupies—Dallas. Honor student in high school;

Journalism club; Latin club.

Virginia Letty Somerville—Dallas. Vice-president high school Little theater; two Linz awards; highest average in sophomore class; one of ten in "Cutest freshman co-ed contest" at S.M.U. She and A. W. Somerville wrote *The hoodlums*, which appeared in the *Saturday evening post*.

Marjorie Young—Dallas. Valedictorian of class; won Junior high school medal for 98 average for the year; president Spanish

club for three years.

Madeline Roach—Dallas. High honor student; Journalism club; first place in district and state meet in fourth year Latin essay contest; business manager for yearbook; has written poetry which has been read over the radio.

Because these girls had been pledged in December, it was not

necessary to hold a pledge service, previous to initiation.

The installing officers, Mrs Grasett, Mrs Neff and Mrs Banta, were entertained at the home of Mrs Rich, Tau, on Friday noon. The executive board of the alumnæ chapter was present. Plans were made for the future of the new chapter. The officers were delightfully entertained at the Little theater in the evening.

Saturday at two o'clock the initiation service took place at the home of Mrs Fernald, Upsilon. Seven members from Beta Zeta, one from Alpha Omicron, one from Alpha Theta, and several alumnæ from Wichita Falls and Fort Worth assisted Dallas alumnæ chapter with the services. About forty-five Thetas were

present.

The installation banquet was at the Dallas Woman's club Saturday night. The visiting college Thetas sang the *Processional* and *Recessional*, and seventy guests formed the procession. Mrs Banta acted as toastmistress, Mrs Grasett gave the council welcome, Virginia Treadwell, who had been president of pledges, responded for the chapter. Mrs Neff gave an outline of Theta Service, Mrs Warren responded to the loving-cup toast, and Mrs Clark read the "Thetagrams."

On Sunday morning the installation service took place at the home of Mrs Clark, Alpha Mu. Forty-five Thetas took part in the ceremony, which established Beta Sigma chapter at Southern Methodist university.

After a chapter meeting and Sunday dinner parties, the alumnæ chapter entertained at a "family tea." Sweethearts, husbands, and children gathered at the home of Josephine Duvall, Alpha Omicron, to show their appreciation of the accomplishment of the colonization.

It was with real satisfaction that the installing officers of Kappa Alpha Theta left Dallas on Monday night. We feel sure that the newest chapter of our fraternity will gracefully take its place upon the chapter roll, and will live to do Kappa Alpha Theta a real service.

MARGARET K. BANTA

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

The first session of Southern Methodist university was begun September, 1915. Beginning as a new enterprise of Texas Methodistism, it early attracted the attention of Methodists throughout the South until it is now owned and controlled by the General conference.

With the highest scholarship as its aim, S.M.U. has grown astoundingly. The present session of 1928-29 has an enrollment above 1,600 students. Dr C. C. Selecman, president of the university, has raised scholarship standards until S.M.U. was admitted in the fall of 1928 to the group of first grade universities.

S.M.U. comprises the following schools: College of arts and sciences, Graduate school, School of theology, School of music, School of engineering, School of law. It is well endowed with a 1912 Endowment fund of \$279,178.62 and a 1920 Endowment fund of \$1,000,000. The buildings include Dallas hall, the main building, gift of the City of Dallas; School of theology, gift of Mr and Mrs Harper Kirby; the handsome University Auditorium, gift of Mrs McFarlin; Atkins hall, dormitory for men; Snider hall and Virginia hall, dormitories for women; Hyer hall of physics; and the gymnasium.

The university has chapters of fifteen national women's fraternities: Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Sigma Kappa, Alpha Omicron Pi, Delta Gamma, Chi Omega, Beta Phi Alpha, Delta Zeta, Phi Mu, Kappa Alpha Theta. Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Gamma Phi Beta are being petitioned by colonizing groups.

MARGARET MYRICH CRAWFORD, Alpha Theta

EARLY HISTORY OF BETA SIGMA

All Texas Thetas had long felt the need of another chapter in Texas. The idea of Beta Sigma chapter was born in the minds of Dallas alumnæ as early as 1927. In the early summer of 1928, Kate Weaver, president of District VIII, came to us with the possibilities of Southern Methodist university as a colonizing point, and suggested that we send a delegate to convention to present our cause, "A Theta chapter at S.M.U." Gladys Crandall was chosen as our delegate. Mrs Weaver introduced the subject at convention and our delegate presented the Dallas alumnæ viewpoint. The high points of the argument were: (1) S.M.U. as the logical college for Theta expansion in Texas; (2) The real need of another chapter in Texas; (3) That now was the crucial time for Theta expansion, particularly because Kappa Kappa Gamma planned colonization there in September, 1928. Mary Ford of Alpha Theta and Patricia McMurray of Alpha Omicron expressed their approval of S.M.U. as a colonizing point. Mrs Bemis spoke Grand council's approval. When the vote came it was unanimously passed that Dallas alumnæ, with the cooperation of Thetas everywhere, be permitted to colonize a chapter at S.M.U. in September, 1928. Needless to say we were all jubilant over our possibilities.

GLADYS CARNAHAN CRANDALL, Alpha Mu

RUSHING BETA SIGMA

Rush week was about the most thrilling experience any of the alumnæ had felt for years. We found ourselves possessors of dates with about ninety girls, and with a whole week of rushing, consisting of two parties each day. At first we had thought we would not attempt entering rush week with the other fraternities, as we had so little time between convention in July and the opening of college in September. After reading a great deal of publicity about rushing plans of other fraternities, we decided it would be best for us to enter also. So the Sunday preceding rush, Kappa Alpha Theta had quite a lay out of party plans in the newspapers. In reality we didn't have a single definite plan, but we gave the reporters plenty of material on different kinds of parties and trusted to arrange some of them, so as to make them meet with their newspaper descriptions.

Had college chapters gone into rush activities as amateurish as we were, they would have been in a panic. It's true we were

a little panicky ourselves, but we had a faith which carried us over all obstacles.

Most of us had not done any rushing in ten years or more. Three Thetas from Alpha Omicron came to our rescue and were invaluable in their assistance.

A luncheon was given first. The newspaper had called it a "pansy luncheon" or something like that—it was merely a luncheon. It will always be traditional, for at it the famous potato apples and fruit conserve in orange baskets were introduced. From that time until this, they have appeared on every Theta menu. We even served them to Mrs Banta and Mrs Grasett the other day!

Each morning we were doubtful as to what was to take place that particular day. On one occasion a seated tea was arranged after twelve o'clock that day. One alumna consented to let us use her home. Her curtains were down, being laundered, but that didn't stop us, for a group of patriots hurried over, hung the curtains, cleaned the home, and had the food prepared in time. This was really a most successful party, for out of it we secured two of our best pledges.

Our most unusual party was given at an architect's studio. This party had much character. We blindfolded the rushees and took them from the residential section to this studio down town. When we took the blindfolds off, the entire atmosphere was a perfect surprise to them. At this party we served Italian food and had a clever little skit.

We converted the home of one of our alumna into a cinema house. We had an electric sign in front of her home with "Theta Theater" on it. All kinds of western posters hung about the walls; red exit lights and entrance lights were used. A feature picture and a comedy were exhibited and our refreshments consisted of peanuts, popcorn and soda pop passed at intervals. We even had ushers with flashlights!

By the time the week had passed we had accomplished far more than we had dreamed possible. Some way, some how, we had concocted fourteen parties and had pledged fourteen girls that any chapter would be proud to own.

Of course we were weary; most of us doubtful as to whether we could live through the week. In spite of all, we still retain our husbands though we had neglected them sadly. No divorces have developed, as an aftermath to this strenuous week.

CLAUDIA FAY WHITE PUCHABER, Alpha Omicron

VISITORS' IMPRESSIONS OF BETA SIGMA

I am exceedingly well pleased with Beta Sigma. The girls have pleasing, attractive personalities. I was delighted that they did not all look alike, as I find a new group of girls has a most distressing tendency to do these days; so that it is hard to know one from the other when you meet a new group. The sincere earnestness with which they accepted their new responsibilities gave promise of their ability to form a most desirable chapter. I feel proud of them and happy about their installation.

Since the word thrilled is taboo I find myself entirely too inarticulate to express my feelings about the whole experience. The harmony that exists between Dallas alumnæ and the new chapter; the friendliness and cordiality of all, made my visit a most beautiful and ever-to-be-remembered experience.

> Lois Foster Blount, Alpha Theta Texas State Chairman

Alpha Theta looks upon Beta Sigma as a little sister. She has no parental authority over her, but desires to guide her and help her whenever it is in her power. Realizing from her own years of experience the trials of the novice and the mistakes that are so easily made, Alpha Theta is only too glad to be of any possible help to Beta Sigma.

We are proud of Beta Sigma's triumphs and are happy to see her succeed. We feel that the founders of the chapter were chosen wisely and that they will be a credit to their fraternity and college.

The idea of establishing a new chapter in one's district naturally fills any chapter with trepidation. It is similar to awaiting the development of a picture. What will it be like. Alpha Theta heard of the colonizing of the Theta chapter at Dallas with all the nervousness a young girl feels when she is about to receive the proof of the pictures she has had made for her best beau. And it is with a sigh of relief and pleasure that she finds that they are far better than her wildest dreams had anticipated. So were we pleased to meet our new Theta sisters. We extend to them our desire for cooperation and mutual love.

THEA GOLDSCHMIDT, Alpha Theta president

UNIQUE MESSAGES OF CONGRATULATIONS

The first Sigma sends her most cordial greetings to the third. We all regret that the distance between us is so great that we cannot come to your installation, but we are looking forward eagerly to seeing many of you at convention next year. Since Alpha Sigma is at Washington State university we think that the three Sigmas are a splendid representation of Theta. "From coast to coast, from the North to the Southland" a very hearty welcome!

ISABEL CLELAND, Sigma Toronto, Canada

Better to be right than president. Congratulations and welcome to Theta.

Alpha Phi alumnæ

Congratulations to the fifty-seventh variety of Theta.

Reta Rho

WELCOME RESPONSE, A TOAST BY A CHARTER MEMBER

Thetas here, Thetas everywhere. We could barely contain ourselves during your most cordial greeting to the Kappa Alpha

Theta fraternity.

This is the time we have been looking forward to for five happy months. Even now, there is such a tingle inside of me, that is somewhat akin to an indescribable melody, that I would call it a thrill, but that word has been so overworked that it can-

not express one-half of what I feel.

Along with this joy we realize a great responsibility. We want to make you proud of the Beta Sigma chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. I wish you visitors knew just what our alumnæ chapter meant to us. They have been kind and loving yet firm and wise counselors. Once when I complained that my family was too strict with me, my mother told me this story. It helped me then; it helps me now. I am going to tell you this story for it is about kites and quite fitting for Theta.

One lovely spring day a little boy took his new kite out to fly it. Soon the kite went high into the air and reached the end of its string. The little kite wanted to go higher, but the little boy said, "I'm sorry but you have reached the end of the string." The little kite tugged and tugged till at last, snap went the string—and it is needless to say what happened—the kite fell. And thus the kite found out that the very thing that was holding it down was holding it up.

I think we might take a lesson from this kite. These rules

which seemingly hold us down are in reality the strong cord woven of wisdom and love that is holding us up. We are going into a new chapter and no doubt we will reach the end of our string. We'll try not to tug too hard, but if we should be foolish little kites, please, pick up us, and mend us, and use us again.

We want to be what you want us to be. Although that may not be possible, we will do our best. Will every member of Beta Sigma chapter stand and pledge with me our best to Kappa Alpha Theta—

"Then let the Theta Cup go round,
The name with blessed memories crowned
That flows whene'er we meet.
No drought can hold a drop of sin
If only love is well stirred in,
To keep it pure and sweet."

VIRGINIA TREADWELL, Beta Sigma

DID YOU KNOW

Dallas alumnæ used one of the original Theta pins in the initiation services of Beta Sigma? Mrs J. W. Cason, 4128 Bowser street, Dallas, Texas, daughter of Bettie Tipton Lindsey, fell heir to the pin at the time of her mother's death, July 19, 1909.

COLONIZATION

HERE never was a person who did anything worth doing that did not receive more than he gave." I believe these words of Henry Ward Beecher come nearer expressing the reaction of Dallas alumnæ to the installation of Beta Sigma than anything else I can say. We have certainly come through the experience richer in many ways—richer because of a closer affection and regard for each other, richer as in unselfish striving for a single purpose we unconsciously deepened the bond that held us together before only casually.

Can you picture to yourself a group of alumnæ, mostly mothers, suddenly presented with the fact that convention had decided to colonize at Southern Methodist university, Dallas, and authorized this group to proceed? We had not the remotest idea just what that little word "proceed" contained. Those were anxious August mornings that we gathered together to decide how to go forward. We look back to those days and marvel at how we ever had the courage to begin. This one thought held us—Grand council said it could be done, so evidently it could—then we would try, so we went to work.

Ruth Sweeney and her committee started calling on mothers as well as daughters. Greth Bryan returned from Europe one week before rush started to find herself social chairman with twelve parties to be given. She accepted her responsibility with a smile and that smile never faltered, rather typifying the spirit with which each girl carried her task all the way through.

By the time we entered rush week we had our nucleus of three, one Theta little sister, one Theta pledge, and the most

charming town girl we could find.

Then there was naught to do, but that we cast the years behind us and return to the days of our youth and—rush. I believe "it is the law of the story teller's art that he does not tell a story—it is the listener who tells it. The story teller does but provide him with the stimuli." If you have a husband and one or two progeny of your own we need not describe rush week. Let this only be said: The Lord was good, we frankly admit we prayed, and that such spirit of cooperation prevailed that we came through not only successful in the thing we had undertaken, but so drawn together that we were ready to meet the vicissitudes of organization and training of our group of fifteen girls.

Eleanor Hall was called upon to produce quantities of wild flowers for decoration. She arrived quite out of breath at the designated time exclaiming as she came that she couldn't understand, she had six children at home with the chicken pox but when Josephine asked for flowers the call was absolutely irresistible and she couldn't say no—that was the spirit that prevailed.

Where to get the money that was constantly needed to carry on was another puzzle. It always came first from one source and then from another, enough to meet each emergency. It fairly smacked of mystery. We publicly acknowledge our gratitude.

There were problems purely feminine, Bernice Wahle was forced to leave her piano in the midst of initiation to feed her four-weeks-old daughter. To you girls in college that has just its humorous side, but to us who are older, the graciousness with which that task was accepted in spite of a tiny baby was one of the sweetest Theta services I have seen rendered.

Perhaps our greatest difficulty was to give to the young girls on the campus the things that older Theta sisters in any normal chapter would give them—Theta dignity, Theta ideals, Theta love, these were the qualities we longed most to see them imbibe.

The consummation of the winter's effort has just taken place and Beta Sigma chapter has been installed. A song is in our hearts, a song of real joy. Grand council has seen fit to approve and our promise to the girls we rushed in the fall has been fulfilled.

The messages that came from Theta college and alumna chapters all over the United States and from Toronto made us more glad than you can know. To have done a service for Theta was reward enough in itself, but to know that you were happy rejoiced us.

Dallas alumnæ stand ready now to help with Beta Sigma's problems of growth. We will not relax our efforts until this chapter is in its full strength. We have utter confidence in her future.

Kathryn Clark, Alpha Mu Retiring president of Dallas alumnæ

BEING A PLEDGE AT S. M. U.

USH WEEK is over, and you have your pledge pin. You fully expect a hurricane, earthquake, or at the very least, an eclipse to commemorate the occasion. You spend about an hour a day polishing the pin, and treat it with the reverent care a mother does her first child's baby book. Annie Marie, the cook, who does not understand intrinsic value, becomes convinced that the pin is either a charm or something which she can hock to her profit. You catch her absconding with it four times before you are able to convince her that her actions are unethical.

You shudder with horror when your dressmaker, who does not know a fraternity from Plutarch's lives, asks you if that is a Girl Scout pin you are wearing. You give the poor lady such an impassioned talk on Theta and its merits that she gets excited and sews a sleeve down the front of your dress instead of the jabot. You wear your pin with much pride on the campus; in fact, your profile comes to bear a close resemblance to a dollar mark. After a while you become a little better adapted to having your pin. While you are still full of pride, your chest no longer feels heavy with the weight of it.

But even if you wanted to, you would not be able to forget your pin entirely; for the members of other fraternities show an avid interest in it. The interest of the members of other fraternities takes the form of acute suspicion, especially that of those whose complacency in getting the rushees they wanted has received a shock. They regard the new chapter with the warm affection and loving trust they would bestow upon a Communist gathering in their midst, and act as if they expect you to put a bomb behind them at almost any moment. The interest of the men's fraternities takes a little kinder form; they are merely curious; they know how to rate the pledge pins of established fraternities, but Theta is so new on the campus; they are groping for a standard by which to judge its pledges. They cannot fit it into their preconceived rate scheme; it cannot be placed just before the Delta Woofles or just behind the Alpha Piffles. It stands isolated in a class to itself. It is "X," the unknown quantity. This attitude gives the pledges an atmosphere of mystery which they are not loath to capitalize. Naturally, it makes you a little self-conscious, but it is a pleasant self-consciousness, like having a new dress which fairly shrieks that it is an importation.

Pledge meetings seem strange and bewildering to you. At the first meeting you attend a dance is under discussion, and you become initiated to the process of booming, which goes something like this: The list of boys to be invited, which the members have turned in, is read out, and after each name, the ones who do not want that particular boy to come to the dance yell "Boom!" Three "booms" mean that the gentleman concerned will have ample leisure for studying on the night of the dance. This some-

times occasions bitter words.

"Listen, So-and-So," somebody will say indignantly, "don't you dare boom him. Why, his cousin is one of my aunt's best friends."

"I don't care," says the one addressed, firmly, "he's about three feet tall, and he always tags us tall girls; not only that, he gallops; he absolutely gallops! I positively will not risk having to gallop past the stag line with a boy whose head comes about an inch above my middle."

"Well, of all the silly reasons," begins the other vigorously. "Girls!!" interposes the head of the pledges reprovingly.

"All right," one says in a martyred tone, "I suppose I can get in bad with my entire family merely because she"—infinite scorn, "objects to 'galloping."

But in circumstances of this magnitude the booms are usually

recalled, although sometimes with infinite reluctance.

Not all the booms are intended to bar the boomed one from the dance. For example, when a boy's name is read who has pinned one of the pledges, and whom everyone knows she will favor at the dance, the whole chapter rises and booms him with one voice. This sort of boom is taken as a matter of course and does not offend the pledge who is wearing the boomed one's pin. The mystery of the situation is how the secretary of the pledges knows whether a name is being boomed in dead earnest, in which case she must scratch him off the list; or whether he is being boomed for fun. Possibly the difference lies in the fact that a boom which is not intended can only be heard for two blocks, whereas the other can be heard within a radius of six.

But there are other more important things. You must turn in your cuts and extra-curricular activities. You begin to learn the songs and chapter roll. You engage in weighty discussion of fraternity policy and interfraternity politics. There are rival fraternity groups in every class election. The Women's groups are traditionally allied with certain men's groups. These groups court Theta assiduously, since the races are usually so close that the Theta votes may be the deciding factor. Naturally, it is a matter of utmost importance that Theta ally herself to the group best in keeping with her campus interests.

Being a pledge to a new chapter has its joys and ills. The joys are obvious, the zest of being a part of a new thing, and the thrill of building. One of the chief ills was, strangely enough, the fact that the pledges were not bossed very strongly. While the supreme control was vested in the alumnæ chapter, and all important matters went to them for final decision, still the pledges had none of the campus control to which pledges are usually subjected. This situation, as pleasant as were the feelings of importance and independence which went with it, gave you certain pangs.

For example, you meet an Alpha Piffle pledge on the campus: "You Theta pledges certainly lead easy lives," she says, "no initiates to boss you around."

You feel the sort of jealousy Tommy feels when Johnnie says his father gets the drunkest.

"Why," you say, immediately defensive, "we are bossed. The alumnæ boss us."

"Pooh!" she says derisively, "you don't know what bossing is. Listen, I just came over from the dormitory. I made up eleven initates' beds and straightened up six rooms. My back feels like a pretzel. Of course, I had a date this afternoon, but the initiates very considerately broke it for me."

"Well," you counter weakly, "I'm awfully tired too. I had to cut holes out of a dozen brown and white sandwiches and turn them so that the brown holes were on the white sides. I am worn out."

She looks at you with deep disgust: "You must be exhausted," she says crushingly. "Well, I've got to be going. I am on my way to sit in an initiate's seat in chapel so that she can have a date. Of course, my seat will be vacant, and I will have to explain to the Dean, but what difference does that make? I am only a lowly pledge. You and your brown and white holes," she goes off muttering.

You feel a little envious as you watch her go, martyrdom

in every line of her retreating form.

But all of this applies only to the days before there were initiates. Things are changed now. You no longer join the conditionites in rambling, garrulous meetings. You meet decorously upstairs and at the end of the meeting are marched down to report to the initiates like a chain gang. There are initiates now, mysterious creatures who are subtly changed. You have to suppress a desire to say "Yes Ma'am" to them. They have little trouble devising enough work to keep you dizzy though they are somewhat easier on the charter pledges, who are not so lowly and green. But in spite of your groans and wails, you enjoy it immensely.

And you look forward impatiently to the time when you will be a lofty initiate, inspiring fear and admiration in the hearts

of subsequent green, dumb pledges.

VIRGINIA LEDDY SOMERVILLE

[Virginia Somerville with her husband, A. W. Somerville, wrote *Hood-lums* which appeared in a recent issue of *Saturday evening post*. She was pledged to Kappa Alpha Theta in February.]

IMPRESSIONS

I was delighted at the opportunity to be one of the installing officers of Beta Sigma chapter at Southern Methodist university. After hearing Mrs Banta's glowing report of the pledging and of the whole-hearted cooperation of Dallas alumnæ, I was quite prepared for a splendid group of girls but I did not expect to find Southern Methodist university such a large and flourishing college.

The campus is in Dallas, but far enough to one side of town to be a community by itself. It has many new buildings, including two splendid dormitories, and apparently a great deal of time and money have been expended in the planning and arranging of these buildings for the future greatness of Southern Methodist university. A student co-op on campus is one of the interesting local features. Mrs Banta and I spent a whole day on the campus, interviewing the Dean, attending classes, and

last but not least spending a free hour in the co-op. Here every one gathers between classes and either eats some campus delicacy or sits in friendly groups to the benefit of college spirit. Here also was our opportunity to meet many students and to compare most favorably our new Thetas with them.

As for hospitality, Dallas fairly buzzed with it during the entire time of our visit. For enlivening and invigorating alumnæ there is nothing like colonization. Many of the alumnæ in Dallas had been out of touch with college chapters for years but I imagine now any of them could give many pointers on rushing to some of our college chapters.

All in all, Beta Sigma is a fine example of colonization and a real Theta chapter thanks to a splendid, loyal group of Theta alumnæ from many chapters throughout the country.

JEANETTE GRASETT, Grand Treasurer

FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

HE second fellowship of Kappa Alpha Theta known as the Alice Allen Brandt Social service fellowship is to be awarded to a candidate who will pursue graduate or research work in subjects pertaining to the advancement of women and children. Applicants in the field of economics or social service will be given the preference, though applicants whose contact with women and children is in other fields will be considered.

This fellowship will be awarded in January, 1930, for the year 1930-31. The amount is \$1,200 payable in three instalments, the first payment to be \$600, the second and third \$300 each.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The fellowship is open to members of Kappa Alpha Theta. The applicant must be a college graduate, must have proved her ability in initiative and research and had at least one year's graduate study or experience in the work to be pursued.

The acceptance of the fellowship implies the obligation on the part of the Fellow to devote herself exclusively to study or research as outlined in her application; to submit any proposed change in her plan to the chairman of the Committee on fellowships for approval; and to send to the chairman a quarterly report on her work. The period of time for research shall be not less than nine months and not more than one year. The committee regards the acceptance of a fellowship as creating a contract requiring the fulfillment of these conditions.

DIRECTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR FELLOWSHIP

Application must be received not later than October 1, 1929. It should be accompanied by:

- 1. A certificate from the registrar of the college or university awarding the degree or degrees received by the applicant.
- 2. Testimonials as to health, character, personality, ability and scholarship of the applicant. One such testimonial shall come from the District president of Kappa Alpha Theta.
- 3. Statement of purpose of the use of the information to be gained from the fellowship.

The committee reserves the right to withhold the award if no suitable candidate presents herself.

FORM OF APPLICATION	
Applicants will please follow the following form in applying for flowship.	el-
Name	٠.
Address	
Date of birth	
Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta	
Academic record(Give degrees with dates)	
Practical experience	
Field of study for which fellowship is desired	
3511 Rodman St. N.W. Washington, D.C.	
Chairman of Fellowshin Committee	

LOAN AND FELLOWSHIP FUND

HETAS who have watched the growth and development of the Scholarship fund from its small beginnings in 1904, to its position of strength and usefulness in 1929, will be interested in the reorganization of its management which has just been completed.

Those who were not fortunate enough to attend convention at Breezy Point in 1928, will also be interested in the following

recommendation passed there:

"That the name of the Scholarship fund be changed to Loan and fellowship fund.

"That the Los Angeles alumnæ chapter shall be the custodian of the Loan and fellowship fund.

(a) The administration of this fund shall be under a Board

of directors consisting of Los Angeles alumnæ chapter, as chairman, and six other alumnæ chapters chosen by Los Angeles chapter from six different Districts. This board of directors shall be approved by the Grand convention.

(b) The members of this Board of directors shall serve for a term of six years. At the twenty-ninth biennial convention two members shall be appointed and approved for two years, two members for four years, and two members for six years, and thereafter all members appointed and approved for six years."

The great growth of the Scholarship fund, its widespread usefulness, caused the convention to decide that it was necessary to reorganize and expand the machinery upon which the Fund's success, in a large measure, has depended. From the time of its inception in the mind of members of Los Angeles alumnæ who were anxious to aid worthy Thetas in completing four years in college, that chapter has nurtured and fostered the Scholarship fund. The Scholarship fund committee, composed of members of Los Angeles and Pasadena alumnæ, has carried on the actual work of receiving petitions for loans, securing proper credentials, banking funds, collecting interest, encouraging alumnæ groups to contribute to the cause.

So heavy were the duties incumbent upon one committee, and so universal was the interest in the fund, that the convention decided to make six alumnæ chapters, instead of one, responsible for its administration, as is shown in convention ruling.

Accordingly, the alumnæ chapters forming the Board of directors responsible for the various branches of work are:

Los Angeles alumnæ, chairman, Undergraduate loans.

Washington, D.C. alumnæ, Fellowship.

Pittsburgh alumnæ, Research.

Indianapolis alumnæ, Publicity.

Houston alumnæ
St Louis alumnæ
Portland alumnæ

At present the total amount of the Fund is \$46,722.88, \$3,543.19 contributed last year. Cash on hand for loans is \$5,742.73. That is a small amount considering the rising cost of tuition, living, and fraternity expenses, the increasing number of Thetas who can be beneficiaries, and the new maximum loan. The greatest drain on the fund comes with pressure just before colleges open in the fall. At present there are 149 live loans

which are to be paid, or, are being paid in installments or full amounts.

Members of other fraternities have expressed an interest in this problem of such great concern to all interested in college administration in general, and loan and fellowship funds in particular.

Theta is reaching out to new frontiers in the field of research and the management of loan and fellowship funds. Only through the cooperation of the fraternity at large and the earnest endeavor of alumnæ chapters who are just assuming their new responsibilities, can we hope to make a success of this experiment in a field which is so vital to the future of many worthy Thetas.

GRACE W. LAVAYEA

EDUCATION BY OBSERVATION

NNE WOOD, Alpha Gamma, left Ohio State for a year's study on the Floating university's trip around the world. Her letters home are crammed with interesting experiences.

Extracts from her letter of December 27, written at the Imperial hotel of Tokyo: "Kobe, that charming gateway to the Orient, possesses the most magnificent harbor that could ever be imagined! Japanese sampans, fishing schooners, and Chinese junks, added to its glamor.

"I walked all over those lantern lined streets and gazed upon the kimona clad population. It was the most gorgeous scene; the wooden shoes, the lacquered hair, huge umbrellas and gay colors. (The decorations for the Emperor's enthronement are still up.) Every light is covered with the august emblem of the "rising sun."

"I saw my first Shinto shrine (combined ancestor and native worship), tasted the native wine called saké (pronounced socky—a concoction brewed from rice), and devoured some Japanese pastry.....

"Rickshaw riding is perfect—you glide along dusky avenues with only a lantern to light the way—not a sound but the soft thud of footfalls."

"Rural Japan with the flooded rice fields, bamboo lanes, and terraced hillsides is more pleasing than any illustration I've seen.

"Kyoto, the capital for one thousand years, was thrice as fascinating as Kobe, the sea port. . . . The 22d was spent seeing the imperial lacquer factory, the palace and the grounds where the recent coronation was held. There was no western ornateness, no elaborate ornamentation, no magnificence. The banquet hall was perhaps the most gorgeous, and that is to be burned because it's too sacred for any use. The reverence of the Japanese for their Emperor is complete. He is all perfect and all powerful. However, I was not disappointed by the vast simplicity of his quarters. I thought is most appropriate.

"Kyoto at night is like a city of story book charm. The wide, curving, lantern-hung lanes, everywhere the color and splash of an Oriental paint-box, the innumerable tiny shops, the crowded theater streets. Life in Japan is a perpetual Mardi Gras. I love it. (A half forgotten drama come true.)

"The morning of the 23d we left for Nava, which is lovely because of its natural beauty and rich traditions.

"Sixteen of us, chosen for our scholarship, were permitted to spend the night at a Buddhist monastery, high up in the Japanese Alps. Here I might as well cease writing. It's impossible to describe justly. A mountain village tucked in the curve of a mountain peak. Well laid cobble-stone paths fringed with stone lanterns, stone bridges whose perfection of line would cause one to gasp, woven fences of bamboo, showering fountains, and landscape gardens of native shrubs.

"The Buddhist shrine was an archive of treasures collected from the thirteenth century. Pagodas painted vermilion and blue offset the forest of evergreens. The only sound was the tinkle of temple bells and the rush of the fountain. We stayed at the temple (i.e. the hotel run in conjunction with the monastery). It was the most exquisitely appointed structure that could ever be achieved. There was an outer patio and an inner patio. The floors were so polished that they might have been lacquer. In our rooms were alcoves containing marvelously carved tables, teakwood, pottery and paintings.... If you could've seen us wearing the huge kimonas, and the house shoes, sitting on the floor eating out of doll dishes with chopsticks! To be in a monastery the day before Christmas was perfect."

And from Anne's next letter, written January 11 on the China Sea on the way to Hong Kong: "Do Wang, who has spent ten years in the States, collected three degrees in sociology, and who taught at Ohio State and became the idol of the campus (he is both young and good looking) took it upon himself to act as my personal guide while in Shanghai.

"I saw the largest publishing house in the Orient, with 3,500 employees, the most famous garden in the whole province (costing seven million) and ate my first entire meal with chopsticks."

Letter of February 25, written while sailing across to Cal-

cutta: "In Bangkok we actually stopped at a palace hotel that had once belonged to a Siamese king. I had the room and bath that were formerly occupied by his second best wife. The walls of the bedroom were blue brocade, the floors of hand laid wood, and the whole thing was illuminated by sixty-four lights suspended from the walls and ceiling. The bath was of white marble with built in dressing tables of tile, while the tub was a huge sunken effect (likewise of marble) that was large enough for swiminng.....

"My one occupation in Siam was taking baths, four or five daily were necessary because of the heat, and so it was delightful to possess such a bathroom. In fact, I did nothing besides this, except scratch mosquito bites, and sight see. We went to a very exclusive charity ball and were seated directly opposite the King and Queen, who were most impressive despite their petiteness. When the program was over and the bazaar was begun, we unwittingly preceded them, and promptly got

ourselves asked not to go before 'ze majesties'.....

"The most beautiful thing in all Siam was the grand palace, traditional residence of the king. An immense wall ran around the whole enclosure, and inside, the marvelous temples stood unmolested by the rabble. The Buddhist wats (term for temple and typical of that nation) are made of small bits of glazed and brilliantly colored tile, each tiny piece goes to make up a vast design, and in the late afternoon sun the whole structure turns to a shimmering mass of jewels—so glorious that it hurts your eyes. I fell in love with the wat of the Emerald Buddha and braved the awful heat, twice, to see it. The architecture was sheer perfection but it cannot be described.

"The American ambassador in Bangkok gave a tea, from five to seven, for us.... We arrive in India this afternoon and I'm sufficiently rested to resume my globe trotting. The past five days at sea have been the saving of me because the return

trip through Siam was strenuous, to say the least."

Anne sailed November 8 from New York on the S.S. President Wilson, and will arrive in New York June 11. The university lands at Piraeus in two groups, one April 12 and the other April 13. With Athens as headquarters, the students will visit Greece until April 18. Arriving at Naples April 20, the university will travel through Europe, its itinerary including Rome, Florence, Bologna, Venice, Vienna, Prague, Bodenbach, Berlin, Potsdam, Heidelberg, Mainz, a trip down the Rhine to Cologne Aachen, Paris, Versailles, and Marseilles, from where the students will sail for America.

BETTY BONNET, Alpha Gamma

THETA'S WHO'S WHO

THETA, QUEEN OF MARDI GRAS

THOSE of you who have never been to New Orleans the title "Queen of Mardi Gras or Carnival" perhaps means nothing, but to us, living in the Crescent city, it means the height of a girl's ambition.

This year the honor was given to Beecye Casanas, a Theta from Beta Beta, Randolph-Macon. Beecye, one of the most popular débutantes of the season, is an attractive, dark-haired person with fascinating eyes, and quite capable of upholding this regal honor. This was not Beecye's first queenly honor, as she was chosen as queen of the balls of Athenians and Osiris, and was maid in the balls of Proteus, Prophets of Persia, Mystery, and was chosen as a Czarina in the ball of the Duke of Alexis—an unusual record for one girl!

Beecve as Queen of Carnival was all that one could desire. Sitting on the pavilion of the Boston club on Mardi Gras morning she reviewed the Rex parade; the parade stopping there, allowing the King to drink to the health of his Queen—afterwards crashing the glass on the sidewalk, or banquette as it is known in New Orleans. Beecye was dressed in a charming grey ensemble and around her sat eight maids—dressed in the smartest of spring costumes. Later, at the ball, Beecye wore an exquisite creation of cloth of silver studded with rhinestones and pearls with a gorgeous royal mantle on which was embroidered the coat of arms of Rex. This was held in place by an enormous medici collar of rhinestones, and on her head was a regal crown of brilliants. At midnight the Carnival court—King, Queen, and eight maids and dukes, visits the Comus court, and there comes the most breathtaking sight of the season! The Queen and King of Comus, with their court, descend into the midst of their courtiers and meet the Carnival court. Imagine the sight! splendor as is not surpassed even in the courts of Europe! The Rex maids carrying armfuls of yellow roses and the Comus red ones—each dressed more beautiful than the other, and the ball representing a huge expenditure of care and money!

In the midst of all this gorgeous pageantry of splendor moves a Theta as the central figure—Beecye Casanas.

ANGELA DEVLIN, Alpha Phi

Have you seen Beecye Casanas? If you haven't you don't know what you've missed! See her and keep an eye on her was the watchword of many fraternities on campus that October, 1926. Some one else might have slipped in unnoticed, especially when given a room in the attic of an off-campus house, but Beecye is not one to get by without a second look, nor even a third or fourth.

Coming into college late, because of having just come back from Europe, and also coming from Gulf Park seminary, made the question of passing her work and proving her credits no slight matter. She was discouraged on all sides. But Beecye was determined to show what she could do and through grit and hard labor proved her credits so she could be initiated in May of that year. Not only that, she made an exceptional scholastic record the whole time she was here.

To know Beeeye is to know a girl with personality plus. Snobbish, no; kind and friendly to all, yes. She put her whole self into whatever she undertook, even the meanest task. One could have no more sincere friend nor more loyal sister. There was no one in Beta Beta prouder of Thetahood or who lived up more to Theta ideals. All this we found in Beeeve.

Beta Beta hated to see her leave when she graduated in June, 1928, after two short years with us. We miss her!

MAY F. TUTTLE

MARGARET WATSON HOOVER, PHI

HE spotlight of publicity which is now turned on the President of the United States and his family brings Margaret Watson Hoover, a Stanford Theta, into the fore of our nation's interest and enthusiasm.

Peg Hoover is admirably able to fit into the trying position in which she finds herself, that of being in the public eye whether desiring to be so or not, of meeting myriads of people whose impressions are carried away and spread throughout the country from a hasty and necessarily short greeting, of being "news" at all times to an over eager press which must be handled graciously but firmly, and of all those things which go with being connected with someone of national interest.

But this Theta is one who can be put in such a place and fill it exceptionally well, for she is a women gifted with natural charm and beauty, loveliness of manner, and a perfect social poise which has helped her win the admiration of many people, from the days when she thrilled freshmen as rush captain until these days when she delights those she meets with her quiet ease

of manner and charming self.

Peg Hoover has been admired and esteemed by her friends for many years. Her college mates found her most capable and fine in the many positions and honors they heaped upon her. Her ability in athletics won for her all-star honors on the hockey, swimming and track teams, and her block "S." She was a member of the "S" Society, and was successively elected secretary, treasurer, and president of the Women's athletic association.

She was also accorded a place on Women's council as a junior, and was vice-president of Associated women and a Senior sponsor in her final year. She was elected to Cap and gown, senior women's honor society.

Her fraternity sisters heaped upon her the most of the honors within their power to give. Those who lived with her as a Theta particularly appreciated her abilities to do, to guide, and to lead. In her college years they made her recording secretary, Panhellenic representative, rush captain, and finally chapter president, finding her gracious, charming, and capable at all times.

She received her A.B. degree on June 20, 1925, as Margaret Eva Watson, and five days later became the bride of Herbert Hoover, jr. also Stanford '25, at a quiet ceremony in the Stanford Memorial church.

After a motor honeymoon to Maine they lived in Cambridge, Massachusetts, while her husband took the Harvard School of business course. After their present visit to Washington, they will live in Los Angeles, California.

The young Hoovers have two children, Peggy Ann, age three, and Herbert III, age one and a half, both of whom are creating quite a stir in Washington as they are delightful children, pets of their grandparents and all who know them.

Peg Hoover and her children play an important side part in this drama featuring our Chief Executive and his family.

RUTH JORDAN WILBUR, Phi

VERMONTER IS MAKING THEM WEAR PANTS AND PRAY IN THE CONGO

OU can easily find a Kappa Sig in New York or Chicago or Los Angeles, and even on the Kankakee or Opelousas. But if you were to motor on the Bukama-Sandoa road in the Belgian Congo, parking your car about thirty miles from

the government post and following the trail two and a half miles further to the Kanene mission, you would find a fraternal welcome there, too! Stationed at that outpost and doing a real bit of pioneering are Brother Ray L. Smalley (Vermont '21) and his wife.

Brother Smalley, a native Vermonter, graduated from the state university in 1921, having returned to school after winning his commission in the Field artillery during the World War. During his undergraduate days he was a leader in campus and fraternal activities and as a senior was president of the university "Y" and Grand Master of the chapter. Mrs Smalley (Ruth Hubbell, Kappa Alpha Theta) of the same class was a leader in campus activities among the girls. They now have two sons, the youngest of whom can "holler the 'Old Vermont' in three different languages."

Kanene is maintained by the Foreign mission board of the Methodist Episcopal church as a training school for native pastor-teachers. It was opened early in 1925 with an enrollment of five students but the number at present is well over thirty. Instruction is given in the three R's, French, the Bible, sewing, agriculture and the native language. The pastor-teachers often make extended trips to the native villages of the district, having carried their message into about one-third of the 300 villages, which consist of about sixty people each. There is one native doctor in the district, the nearest white physician being about seventy-five miles away. To these people the school and church have much the same significance. Instruction is given by means of charts and countless repetition of the subject matter. The pupils sit on the ground or on a stick.

Brother Smalley gives an interesting description of one of their games; "Keep Ball is played in much the same manner as our game, only they bound the ball and clap their hands in unison as it strikes the ground to make their hearts glad and the game go fast."

By virtue of his training at home, Smalley has charge of agricultural work at the station. The staple native foods are cassava, and manioe; it is such a task to prepare the former that a native's first consideration in selecting a wife is strength. There have been several food shortages there as the natives take little thought of the future and insects, wild hogs, droughts and superstition drain the supply. Successful experiments have been conducted with beans, rice, peanuts and pineapples, but the insects prevent the growth of European corn. Poor storage facilities have made conditions worse, but Brother Smalley's idea

of a pit silo will remedy this. There is now a herd of about thirty cattle at the station but for a long time only canned milk was available; incidentally, much of this supply was produced near Brother Smalley's former home in New England. Moreover, the oxen can be worked but four to five hours per day and with the available tools only about two acres can be plowed in six weeks. There are about eighty natives employed at the station at a wage of five cents per day.

One of the chief diversions is hunting, there being an abundance of small game, such as antelope, baboons and monkeys, and it is known that leopards and lions occasionally visit the district. On one of his inspection trips Brother Smalley came to a stream where the temporary bridge had been washed away; upon being informed by the natives that one missionary had been eaten by the crocodiles he decided to wait until a native, in return for a small amount of salt, felled a tree across the torrent.

The Smalleys plan to return to this country during the coming year and hope to bring with them many interesting souvenirs of the Congoan native life, which is fast disappearing as civilization and its missionaries progress with their work.

—Kappa Sigma Caduceus, December, 1928

MARY ELIZABETH FOX

After two years of teaching as an assistant professor in the Modern language department at Jamestown college, North Dakota, Mary Elizabeth Fox, who is only twenty-two years of age, was awarded this year a fellowship to Bryn Mawr college, where she will obtain her master's, and Ph.D. degrees. The scholarship was based largely on her scholastic standing in her undergraduate work. Mary Elizabeth is one of the five Theta nieces of Dean Corbett, Dean of women at Colorado State college. All five nieces are alumnæ of Beta Gamma chapter.

FLORENCE AVERY

HELEN SINCLAIR, Sigma

"KIND WORDS"

To some of us, during our freshman and sophomore years, the library was just so many closed books. Aside from occasional rallies with the ladies at the reserve desk, our activities were confined to nervous maneuvers with the swinging doors. So two winters went by and we were neither sadder nor wiser.

However, with junior year came difficulties. This history

course and that art course demanded research, in wider fields than those covered by *Le Petit Larousse*. So one brisk October day, without proper caution we ventured into the stacks looking for a tome on Florentine politics. We wandered upstairs and downstairs and (accidentally) into my lady's chamber; over glass floors and through tunnels; on and on for hours with rising fear: not for the politics but for the possibilities of an exit. Briefly we were miserably lost in the south stack for two days. But the experience, we find on inquiry, was not unique with us. Many are the cases.

It is with pardonable excitement that we announce to our luckless brothers the discovery of a universal remedy for the library. In the room marked "Chancellor Green" there are two brilliant people who know practically every book in the house. They make a cause of your need whatever it is; from the status of women in the *Arabian nights* to the number of articles on Frank Buchman, or from the romance of the steam engine to the organic construction of diamonds. Their knowledge and energy are inexhaustible; they could not be more willing. The library question, gentlemen, is solved.

It is with pleasure, therefore, that the *Princetonian* salutes Mr Malcolm O. Young and Miss Sinclair, two perfect members of a much maligned staff.

-The Princetonian, December 11, 1928

BETSY JANE SOUTHGATE, Alpha Tau

Miss Southgate is from Kentucky, down in the "Blue Grass" country of which we hear so much. She was born in Fort Thomas and was graduated from the high school when fifteen years old. She was editor-in-chief of the school annual.

She attended Georgetown university one year where she was assistant director of the dramatic club and took a course in journalism. Then she attended Cincinnati university where she finished her education. Miss Southgate is a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta.

Her first stage experience was with the Stuart Walker players, and after appearing in Lady Windemere's fan and Shaw's You never can tell was promoted to play leads in Dayton and Indianapolis, appearing in the same company with George Gaul, Margalo Gillmore, McKay Morris and Elliot Nugent. She played her first leading role on her eighteenth birthday and it would be very hard to find a young woman who has had so much experience crowded into a few short years. She played in the tour-

ing company of Broadway and was prominently east in The garden of Eden when produced by the Selwyns.

Miss Southgate is athletic and her favorite sport is horseback

riding, as she is an expert polo player.

This spring Betty is playing leads with the Wright players in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

BEVERLY BREON

MRS CHARLOTTE SCHUCHARDT WOODRUFF, Tau

When Miss Green's letter arrived, asking for a story of my life as Beverly Breon, I was somewhat shaken for the moment from the rôle of mother and house-wife and tumbled back into the rôle of a servant of Terpsichore. Though less than three years have elapsed since this change of title, they have been so full of events of such a radically different nature than those demanded of a dancer that that life has been relegated to subconscious channels, shelved for leisure hours of retrospection, in which I shall now bury myself.

I shall start with our return from South Haven, where Pavley and Oukrainsky have their training camp for potential Pavlowas on a high bluff overlooking Lake Michigan. From there we reported at the Chicago studio for the beginning of rehearsals for the Chicago Grand opera company, at that time under the régime of Mary Garden. Here day after day, at all hours, twenty-four girls and eight men were kept busy working on the scores of ballets and divertissements to be presented. As the various productions were whipped into shape by Andreas Pavley and Serge Oukrainsky, our maitres de ballet, rehearsals at the Chicago Auditorium began. Weeks of hard work, filled with happy experiences, brought us to the opening of the opera season. intimate contact with great singers, orchestra directors, orchestra, stage staff, chorus, wardrobe department and—last but not least—supes (people used for mob scenes), all working together for one great achievement, created an atmosphere back-stage which was to pave the way for the memorable seasons which followed.

Eleven weeks of performances in Chicago perfected the repertoire enough to put us at ease in our new environments and to acquaint us with the personnel with whom we were to carry on the season's work, so that when we were ready for our coast-to-coast tour cooperation and harmony moulded us into one big family, ready for new and interesting fields of conquest.

From New York to San Francisco we traveled on two trains of eighteen cars each, retaining for the most part the same train crew for the entire trip, which added to the family atmosphere and was contributory to the many good times enjoyed. Each season our itinerary was changed enough so as to make the trip from east to west by different routes, giving us new cities to explore between performances and rehearsals. In Portland, Oregon, Marjory Maxwell was fêted by her chapter and as I was asked to join them, I had the pleasure of meeting some of our western sisters, bringing a bit of fraternity life into the theatrical picture. It was our privilege to meet many celebrities, including authors, composers, producers and other fascinating artists.

At the end of the season of 1922, Virginia Darrow, one of our dancers, and I decided to stray from this alluring, though fatiguing, nomadic life to teach. Among the cities on our itinerary Los Angeles, and more particularly Hollywood, appealed to us as the most suitable place to try our wings, so we cast our lots with the thousands of others seeking fame and fortune in one of the various arts of this Mecca.

On Hollywood boulevard, near the old Lasky studios, we hung out our shingle: "Breon & Darrow School of Ballet"—and waited for results, which in view of the tremendous competition encountered were most gratifying. Our work out there brought us in close touch with some of the picture people, for among our pupils were a great many cinema stars and directors, their wives and children, child prodigies and a vast number of extras. I'll not take time to describe Hollywood and its populace, professional and otherwise, as you were given an interesting and vivid picture of it in the last Theta issue; and I will dwell on the movie industry only long enough to say that we trained stars and ensembles for a number of pictures, working at the studios and on location, getting a taste of life behind the scenes of the silent drama.

Through benefit vaudeville given each year for newsboys, disabled and financially dependent stage and screen performers, and other worthy causes, we became more intimately acquainted with artists of every branch and profession, who also contributed their services.

Our second year in Hollywood gained us the much-coveted opera contract, which gave us the direction of all the ballets for the San Carlo Grand opera company. For many weeks before each season we worked in our studio and at the Philharmonic

Auditorium with dancers chosen exclusively from among our pupils. Every minute of the day until late at night found us busy arranging and rehearsing ballets and designing and supervising costumes in one of our studios while regular classes were in session in the other. Training dancers for prologues to screen productions was another feature of our work which demanded much time, and as we gave only a few classes to our assistants, we were kept hopping from classroom to rehearsals, to theater, to movie studios, as well as to photographers, costume houses, newspapers and many other places connected with our work. The thrill of stepping back into opera work, this time as directors as well as dancers, can easily be imagined, for here we not only had the opportunity of giving our work a real test, but were able to exercise our own ideas in dance interpretations and costume effects.

In Hollywood Bowl, the beautiful natural amphitheater and pride of Hollywood's musical colony, we participated in a spectacular performance of $A\ddot{\imath}da$, given under the stars. The hills on three sides of us were solid with enthralled spectators, affording an unusual background for an opera presentation. With the San Carlo opera company we opened up the new Shrine temple in Los Angeles with another gala performance of $A\ddot{\imath}da$, which drew an attendance of 6,500. That was one of the most memorable events of my career as maitresse de ballet and a fitting climax before my exit from the ranks of Terpsichore.

The school is now in new quarters on Vine Street and Sunset Boulevard, has added a ballroom and a tap dancing department. Miss Darrow and a staff of teachers are "carrying on," building a bigger and finer school, and generally growing up with Hollywood.

KATHERINE ABBOT COX, EPSILON

O KNOW Mrs Allen Howard Cox is to love her and to love to be with her as many friends would testify. Since I sat beside her at my first banquet with the Boston alumnæ chapter fourteen years ago I have cherished her as a Theta, and for nearly a decade as a dear friend and neighbor.

When with Mrs Cox I have a feeling of unrealness, and find myself in thought in the orchard of Bastien-Lepage's painting of Joan of Arc. There is always about her an air of expectancy as of a soul gazing at mountain peaks, and yet approaching life with naive joy.

Katherine Abbott was a very young girl when initiated into

Kappa Alpha Theta by Epsilon chapter of Wooster college, Ohio, and enjoyed college chapter life for only one or two years. Her natural talent was creative and imaginative and led her to the study of painting at the Art students' league in New York City for about three years. In this youthful period she spent a few years at Emporia, Kansas, and has told me an interesting story of that time. She decided to visit a Theta friend who was married and lived in Muskogee which was then in Indian territory. It was a long trip from Emporia to the border and a change of cars must be made. The day wore on into the evening shadows and the country seemed wild and desolate to a young girl. There was apparently only one other woman on the train; and, by a stranger than fiction coincidence, she was a Theta. From nine o'clock to midnight they were companions as they waited at a junction; but from that time to five in the morning Katherine staved alone in the small station building and the hours were long. The train to Muskogee was filled with men. There was no friendly Theta sister but there were four wild young westerners who laughed at the conductor when he suggested removing them on account of their rough actions. They handed a fashion magazine to Katherine as more suited to her than to them and when she started to write a letter, one said, "Say, miss, are you keeping a dairy?"

These seemed typical cowboys but in Muskogee a real cowboy came to dinner who was often riding for eighteen months on the plain, and who carried books in his pocket for study and improvement, was quiet, and a complete contrast to those on the train.

A fox hunt was gotten up to which the Governor of Missouri came. Katherine was given the trick pony that went backwards. There were only a few families in this district and the young people were home from school. The headlight of a locomotive was turned on the skating pond, which seems a novel idea.

For the New Year's party the delicacies had to come from St. Louis. A blizzard delayed the trains and everything arrived the day after the party. Such a Theta visit could not be duplicated now.

From Emporia to Paris seems quite a change. There were now seven years in Europe with long visits to Italy, Spain, England and Belgium, five months in Rome with Professor and Mrs Tracy Peck of Yale, and three months in Venice where her first Theta pin was lost. Of course a studio in Paris was

where most of her work was done. In 1900 a medal was given to Katherine Abbot for her work as a painter by the Paris Exposition. It was then a great distinction for an American woman. Soon afterwards she was married to Allen Howard Cox, a Boston architect, and their home in Cambridge is the former home of the botanist Asa Gray. The ell of the large, square, yellow house was the Gray herbarium and still contains the roomy cupboard of natural mahogany for the pressed flowers. The spirit of the former tenant seems to pervade the beautiful room where he worked and wrote his books.

Opposite the Cox home was a large acreage—but ten minutes walk from Harvard and Radcliffe colleges—which had lain undeveloped through the three hundred years of Cambridge existence. Mrs Cox led to its becoming one of the finest residential districts of the city. During an eventful walk one day early in 1922, she, by chance, learned that all this desirable land was under negotiation for small apartment houses. The thought flashed through her mind, "Why cannot the neighborhood save it?" Before many weeks the property was acquired by neighbors and their friends who formed the Gray Gardens trust and divided the land impartially.

Oldest residents have looked on in amazement as this largest plot of land in Old Cambridge has been changed from a weedy tangle to fine lawns and gardens surrounding artistic houses. Few know that to Mrs Cox we are indebted for this improvement in which four Thetas are interested. (The two, besides Mrs Cox and Mrs Plowman, are Mrs Jessie Chase Eastham, Alpha

Xi, and Mrs Lida Bassett Bird, Alpha Epsilon.)

One of the happiest Founders'-day luncheons of Boston alumnæ was held in Mrs Cox's large studio with fifty at the tables. On a high window sill of this room, a quicksilver globe stands. Beautiful to those within and those without, with its ever shimmering, reflecting brilliance, it tells of the friendly spirit of this fine old house and of those who are carrying on its great traditions.

MAUDE BELL PLOWMAN

OUR MAUDE PLOWMAN

RS George Taylor Plowman has claim to many other titles but none more expressive of affection. She is one of "the old guard" without whom Boston alumnæ chapter would be a big loser in character, and it is with regret

that we give our farewells on her annual trips abroad with her artist-husband.

My first acquaintance with her was many years ago when she was hostess to our chapter in her fascinating old home at 99 Garden street, Cambridge. This old house was once the home of Professor Bond, first director of Harvard observatory, and is just above the Gray botanical garden.

It is of the small colonial type built over a hundred years ago. The ponderous old key to the front door hung on the wall beside it and her furniture was in keeping with the period. The moment I entered and received her greeting the thought flashed "here is someone different." The years have not disappointed once. Different, yes—but always the same—loyal, charming, stimulating, dear—the perfect gentlewoman.

Her husband showed us his study that afternoon and his methods of etching. He has written two books—one on the technique of etching, one on the Graphic arts now in its third edition. His work is shown in the leading museums.

Maude is a teacher of piano and when the hour for music came she played for us and accompanied our songs. Practical arts vied with fine arts and a delightful tea hour followed.

Three years ago she took advantage of idle hours in London by learning to paint in water colors and oils, many charming studies resulting. The other day she showed me an amusing modeling of a pet cat with an equally amusing jingle regaling his qualities, thus—

Small Peter is my little cat,
A furry cat—and gay;
He should be sleek, and round and fat
Did he not run away.
But sad to say, he loves to roam,
To wander he is eager:
Often I wish him safe at home,
Tho Peter's gay—he's meager!

Those of you who went to convention last June heard her absorbing talk on Art, and enjoyed Mr Plowman's beautiful etchings.

Is she versatile? Is she a friend worth cherishing? Her own little life sketch which I send with this gives a part of the answer to these questions. These few words attest to our love and pride in "Our Maude Plowman."

Mary Hedgcock Grover, Alpha Chi

Sagas of men Unknown, unsung, Are your lives not recorded in some rarer atmosphere Where sometime we shall find the words and weave the stories of a far-away past?

Each life is a saga, more or less exciting and romantic. A professor of English has said, "Five minutes on the street of a city will furnish material for a story." And everyone loves stories, although all cannot see the scenes and acts, humor and climaxes of their own lives, looking for them elsewhere. But to me life has always been a play. Perhaps this is inherited from my Purdy ancestors who came before the American Revolution from Fermanagh, that smallest county in Ireland, where the idealistic Belleek china is made.

I was born in the Kurdish mountains four hundred miles east of Alexandretta, a port of Asiatic Turkey. My father and mother, graduates of Amherst and Kimball union academy, went as missionaries of the American board to the town of Mardin. No Bedouin love songs floated through the air on the midnight of my arrival; but the scavenger dogs howled as never before or after, I have often been told.

Mardin was built on the upper side of a steep mountain rising from a level plain. It was a town of minarets and mosques, of flat-roofed stone houses, of several city walls with gates locked at night, of vineyards outside the walls. The roads were slippery and treacherous. Only the week before my birth an Arab horse had slipped and my father's wrist had become dislocated in the fall.

With a difficult beginning my life was rather precarious. One summer night the mission doctor said that I would surely die before morning. My father had noticed an oasis some miles from the city walls; and with his faithful Arab servant, at the risk of Kurdish attack in the darkness, took me to its coolness. In the morning I had revived and my mother came. And so a beautiful mission garden was started. Many a missionary from Persia and Turkey has found in this lovely place renewed life and strength.

I was very young when their ill health forced the return of my parents to America. There were no railways and no carriages. All travel was by horse, donkey or camel back. My sister Gertrude* (Churcher-Maude then) and I journeyed the four hundred miles to the coast over the old Roman roads and sloping stone bridges in what sounds like a "moffah"—(but it is not spelled that way)—a basket on a camel.

I have enlarged on this part of my life for I have been influenced always by those few early years. The curios and relics which I still treasure have increased my imagination. I have lived, as it were, in two countries in my thought; just as I have a Turkish birthday at ten minutes past midnight, July 3, while I celebrate, by American time, my birthday on Decoration day.

As a minister's daughter I traveled to a certain extent, but lived for several years in Minneapolis where I attended the university and married a fellow student. My husband was an architect who had always been interested in the study of art,

so that he easily drifted into its creation.

I feel now that I have had no other life, being for many years identified with the art movement in the United States. It has been surprising to watch the recent growth of interest in art and the changes in our museums, illustrations (especially advertisements), home furnishings, dress and general view-point, as well as the increasing number of real art students who differ from the former Bohemian of lax ideals.

Of late I have studied drawing and painting and realize the absorption, the difficulties, discouragements and encouragements and constant aspiration more than when a looker-on.

Music has always been my great pleasure and literature an absorbing study, yet art now has first place owing to my husband's work. With him I have traveled and lived abroad and have studied and watched his pictures from the first line of drawing to the finished etchings and they will always be a constant and beautiful inspiration.

MAUDE BELL PLOWMAN

^{*} Mrs Charles Newell Burton, Upsilon.

ALUMNAE NEWS

One new club I am happy to introduce in this journal. A dozen Thetas in or near Riverside, California, have already had two happy meetings and sent their dues for next year. Mrs Bonnett wrote me, "The girls just at present want the club to be social, as they are quite loaded with educational and welfare work in clubs and churches and they want to talk fraternity." Their secretary, Charlotte Lovekin, Phi, hopes that there may be other Thetas in that region who will want to join the club and assures all such of a hearty welcome.

From Raleigh, North Carolina, Mrs Jackson reports that their club is to meet regularly hereafter once a quarter, in October, January, April, and July. Some of the group were hop-

ing to attend District convention in Williamsburg.

The secretary of the Rockford, Illinois, Theta Club, Mrs Bernice Long Kiefer, Alpha Chi, sends the following interesting report: "We have a membership and regular attendance of fifteen Thetas representing six chapters and all residing here in Rockford. Too, at present there are five Rockford girls who are Thetas now in college and who meet with us during vacations. And—when weather permits—we have with us two Thetas from Belviders and one from Harvard, towns very near here. Prominent among our Rockford Theta alumnæ is Dr. Abbie Findlay Potts, Iota 1906, and Dr. A Frances Johnson, Upsilon, Potts is professor of dramatic literature at Rockford college and is now preparing a production of Tennyson's Becket. Last spring she directed a modernization of Shakespeare's Tempest. Dr. Johnson is head of the mathematics and physics department at Rockford college. We meet the first Saturday of each month for luncheon at the home of a member and all the girls are interested both in the business and social session. At present we are trying to arrive at some definite ways and means by which we may help to swell the Loan and fellowship and the Friendship funds. We have enjoyed an occasional visit from Eva R. Hall and are hoping that as soon as weather conditions improve she will join us oftener."

Last but not least, I have a new state chairman to introduce

also. In December, 1925 Vida Lenoir accepted the chairmanship for Alabama and Mississippi, and, though she has added Gardner to her name during this time, she has been a faithful friend to the forty-five Thetas in her two states. Recently she felt it necessary to resign. Happily for us Anna F. Stay, who graduated last June from Randolph-Macon, has consented to be her successor. Thetas in Alabama and Mississippi will, I am sure, give her a friendly welcome.

HOPE DAVIS MECKLIN

Shanghai, China. January 28, 1929

Today Mrs Throop and Mrs Sullivan, who are neighbors on the delightful campus of St. John's university, entertained the five of us at a tiffin in celebration of Founders'-day. We had black and gold place cards, a lovely centerpiece of spring plum blossoms and maidenhair and just as good eats as you get in America! The talk was just as interesting, too, but perhaps some of it would not have been understood by many of you.

One of us has lived most of her life in China, another has been here over twenty-three years, so China spells "Home" for several of us in a way hard to realize by you who have stayed close to the old home and the old college.

Around Mrs Throop's cozy fireplace as we drank our coffee and looked at the last year's issues of the *Journal*, our hearts went back to the groups of old girls wearing the kite. Stories were told of this and that undergraduate experience. We spoke of the changes and the added advantages the present members of our chapters seem to enjoy. But, really, down in our hearts we wondered if the older and more simple enjoyments of our college days did not give us as satisfying thrills as the more sophisticated affairs of today.

We had a lovely get-together and we want you to know that although our number is not as large as formerly, still we are all much alive and full of Theta feeling.

If any of you travel—and the world and his wife seem to do that thing these times—you might look us up when you pass through this city. We should be glad to do anything possible for Thetas in Shanghai, but we cannot find you unless you make yourselves known to us!

Greetings for 1929!

GRACE B. SERVICE (MRS R. R.)

Work Sheet for officers and Committee Chairmen of

MILWAUKEE ALUMNÆ CHAPTER OF KAPPA ALPHA THETA, 1929-30

President-Elected in March

- 1) Preside at meetings.
- 2) Appoint new chairmen in April.
- 3) Appoint nominating committee in January.
- 4) Make any corrections on work sheets that have been suggested during the past year.
- 5) Turn over the new work sheets to the new president at the March meeting.
- 6) Distribute work sheets to officers and chairmen.

Vice-president-Elected in March

- 1) Preside at meetings when president is absent.
- Appoint chairmen of departments in her office in April and give names of those appointed to chairman of programs.

Departments:

- a) Calling, call on new Thetas in the city and ask them to attend our meetings. Give names to the entertaining chairman of the month.
- b) Transportation, arrange transportation for those attending meetings.
- e) Publicity, send in notices of Theta activity including monthly meetings.
- 3) Send flowers to Thetas that are ill.

Secretary—Elected in March

- 1) Write minutes, and chapter letters.
- 2) Send notices to those who have not paid their dues for the coming year after April meeting.
- 3) Notify entertaining committee chairman of new members whose names are not on the programs.
- 4) Register names of new members immediately on roll call.

Treasurer—Elected in March

- 1) Keep accounts and pay all chapter bills.
- 2) Collect dues during April and May meetings.
- 3) Pay entertaining committee 50c for each chapter guest.
- 4) Pay entertaining committee its food budget allowance.
- 5) Assess new members who enter after April meeting on 8-meeting-a-year basis, proportionately.

Editor—Elected in March Send articles to Journal.

Archivist-Elected in March

Keep Theta archives and any other permanent material such as: song book and rummage sale equipment.

Program Chairman—Appointed in April by the president

1) Make corrections for the new programs:

Addresses and phone numbers,

Names of new officers and chairmen,

Names of new members.

2) Have new programs ready for members not later than September meeting.

Finance Chairman—Appointed in April by the president

- 1) Assume the responsibility of rummage sale or other means of income.
- 2) Readjust food budget each year according to number on the new roll call.

Social Chairman-Appointed in April by the president

1) Assume responsibility of all social functions.

- 2) Appoint Spring party chairman who should immediately begin collecting names for guests at Spring party. Spring party usually in May when possible.
- 3) Report visiting active Thetas to entertaining committee of the month.
- 4) Appoint committee for Founders'-day banquet.

Settlement Chairman—Appointed in April by the president according to Mrs Jacobs' recommendation for member of the Board.

- 1) Assume the responsibility of our help to the Settlement. Report to the chapter for its consideration of any new needs.
- 2) Supervise the making and filling of the Christmas stockings. Work on stockings should be started in the Spring.

HELEN C. CHEETHAM President 1928-29

INTRODUCING

A PLAY OF ONE ACT AND TWO SCENES

By

BARBARA STRATTON

While this copy was too late for the Activities (or March) issue, it is published because it is a clever method of complying with copy requests made in February. L.P.G. First Scene—In the home of Monty Beck.

Second Scene—Same, two weeks later.

Characters

President of East hall

Vice president of Student body.

Leading man in Sock and buskin plays.

Head of Beta Beta

Senior swimming team.

Sock and buskin club (Dramatic club)

May court.

Barbara Stratton as Barbara Beck......Their aunt (soph)

Author and director of sophomore play.

Author and director of Odd day stunt.

Quill drivers society (Literary club).

Marion Hitler

Virginia Cochran As Monty's red-headed brothers (juniors).

Sara Davie

Junior ushers, (chosen on basis of scholarship and in line for $\Phi \to K$).

May court, 3 years.

Maid of honor.

Only blond S.T.A.B. (beauty society).

Junior usher (in line for Φ B K).

Rush captain of Beta Beta. Vice-president of Beta Beta.

Leading man in sophomore play.

S.T.A.B. society.

SCENE I

Monty: Listen, Aunt Barbara, there's no use talking, I've done everything I can. Perhaps if I could get near her, she would listen to me.

Aunt Barbara: Yes, dear, I realize that she has everlasting social

duties. Her mother is quite an arranger, but where there's a will there's a way. Brains will win.

Monty: I've thought of everything.

Aunt B.: Now listen, to me; you are good looking, successful, socially her equal:—your college career has been perfect: head of the fraternity, letter in swimming, lead in all the dramatic club plays, president of East hall. Every year vou've been in college vou've held positions of responsibility.

Monty: Yes, Auntie, and you know how popular Reta is. She was chosen the most beautiful girl in college her freshman year by being made the one and only blond S.T.A.B. She has been in the May court three years and this year she was elected Maid of honor:-and then there is her mother-

Aunt B.: Yes her mother is one of the most brilliant women I have ever met. In college she was Phi Beta Kappa and a social leader: but I'll manage this.

Monty: Dear old Auntie, what would I do without you? You have always been a good director.

Aunt B .: Call Norma.

(Enter Norma.)

Aunt B.: I am giving a dinner dance next week, who do you want to invite?

Norma: I don't care who comes so long as you invite El for me. Aunt B.: (To herself) Oh, that was easier than I expected. (aloud) I certainly admire your taste, El is a fine boy and he is doing remarkably well at college.

(Enter three red-headed brothers)

First to Monty: Well, brother, how's your girl?

Second: You're not making much time as far as I can see.

Aunt B.: Here, stop all this. Monty, you and Norma go along, I have something to say to your brothers.

(Exit Norma and Monty)

Listen boys, I have a job for you, you realize how popular Reta is, don't you? Well, she is leaving for New York tonight and Monty is taking her to the train and that is the only time he has with her. I want him to have time enough to propose, so this is my plan: they are going to the station at 7:30 P.M. They will go down Main street. Now you three take your car and when you see them coming arrange an accident. If they get caught in a jam of cars Monty will have plenty of time.

First: O. K. Auntie—we have the idea. Come on out boys and we'll put a leak in his gas tank.

SECOND SCENE

Reta: Darling, I didn't dream a week ago that we'd be married.

I was so surprised at mother, she was so pleased.

Monty: Reta dear, our plans at last have come true.

Reta: Wasn't it nice of your aunt to have this dinner dance for us?

Monty: Yes, my dear, it was lovely of her.

A TRIBUTE TO FOUNDERS

THOUGHT if I should come to you today and say "Please now, my dears, let me impress you," You'd grow weary, heavy-lidded, eager to be away, Preferring to be consumed by personal fire, Than listen to me jabbering.

And then I wondered What will be meaningful? What can I say to younger hearts? How time my words with their beat Swift as the eagle's flight?

And then I answered myself:

Even a young heart rests

To gather strength for the chase

To seize the moment offered by the afternoon

And point the meaning of the past.

Bettie Locke Hamilton,
Alice Allen Brant,
Bettie Tipton Lindsey,
Hannah Fitch Shaw.
January 27, 1870, DePauw university.

Four names, a date, and place—
These marked our beginning—
These are the cord from which the kite was flown with high purpose.
These are significant things
Each one of us is first the kite and
There is time, the cord

It is well to ponder on this
It is well to think where we were aimed
With what sure faith—What blessing—
And what consciousness of the way 'mid sun and wind.
It is better to have courage,
It is better still to know faith and charity,
It is best of all to have love—

And now that you have rested on your way And listened
Purpose your flight with cheer
Four names, a date, and place are yours—
For strength throughout the year.

Louise Britton, Alpha Theta

CAMPAIGNING FOR A JOB

HERE is no rule of thumb by which to find a job or position, whichever one may wish to call it. But for the girl without influential friends, the "royal road to success" may be made much easier by the observance of a few suggestions

in going about a "job hunt."

Suppose then, that you must institute your own campaign for a job. Somehow, somewhere, sometime there is a place in this workaday world for everyone who wants to work. The campaign is just a sensible effort to bring all these factors together—the date, the place, the job and the girl. It may take more or fewer days. Keep active, don't stop, don't allow yourself to become discouraged.

Here are a few suggestions:

1. Read the newspaper help wanted ads.

Get up early, buy the newspaper carrying the most want ads. Answer immediately those which appeal to you, in person or in writing. Most ads requiring written answers are "blind," that is, do not give the names of the advertisers.

When answering—

be neat; be concise;

don't brag about your qualifications; give facts;

don't name a salary; leave that for a personal interview. In your answer enclose a Qualification sheet, explained at

length below.

2. Read the newspapers for general news.

In reading the papers, note promotions and deaths of persons

in business, reorganizations of companies and incorporations of new concerns. These all indicate changes in office personnel, and there is no reason why you might not be the very person needed.

3. Read trade journals devoted to the particular field in which you are interested. They always contain advertisements of positions open.

4. Register with the leading employment agencies.

Go only to the best, have a frank interview with the person in charge. Some require a small registration fee, but most charge only a portion of the first month's salary, provided they find you a job. Don't stop with one interview. Call each morning, establish your face with them.

5. From the classified section of the telephone or city directory make a list of ten leading companies in the particular field you have selected, any one of which you would like to work for.

First, before making any calls, prepare the Qualification sheet mentioned before, somewhat in this manner. Use a plain sheet of good white paper, size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$. At the top right hand corner, write your name in full, home address, telephone number, and business phone number. On the left top side paste a small photograph of yourself, perhaps $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches square. Draw a red ink line across the paper below this information.

Then give personal facts, such as height, weight, whether married or single, dependents, nationality and religion. Another ink line

At the left of the sheet write "Business experience." Below that name your last three or four employers and position held. Of course, if you have not held a position before graduation, this item is not necessary.

Another red line goes under these facts.

At the left, below, write the word "Education." Under that give first, any special business or professional training, such as "three years accounting courses," and then the highest school work you have had, which will be a university degree. Draw a line under this information.

Then name three persons as references.

Prepare a number of these sheets so that you can leave one with each concern called on and enclose one with each blind ad answered.

Now you are ready to make your calls. They will probably say they need no one at present. Leave them a Qualification sheet and ask permission to call again in perhaps two weeks.

After making your calls, write the persons to whom you have talked, a note thanking them for the interview and asking them to keep you in mind. In two weeks write another note, saying that you wish to call again the next day. Do so, and if there is still nothing open, leave them pleasantly.

But note this—if you have chosen carefully the names of those ten companies, and are qualified for the position you seek, you will get an opening before you have completed your second

round of calls. This has been demonstrated many times.

Much depends on the impression you make on the interviewer. Some trifle may cost you the job. Thus—

Be neat in appearance.
 Make your smile sincere.

- 3. Talk with sureness but not braggadocio of your ability.
- 4. Give plain facts about yourself.

Don'ts-

1. Don't talk too much.

2. Don't appear with run-over heels, highly polished nails, flaming cheeks or hanging buttons.

Getting a job is simply a problem of salesmanship. It is your problem to present your wares in the form of your education, experience and personality to those persons who will be interested and in such a manner that you will "sell yourself."

-MARY ELIZABETH RAMIER

The opinions of people who employed the college girl were almost entirely in favor of a college training for success in business. Her great assets are her personality, her mental discipline, her liberal training, and her ability to get along with people gained from her close association of four years in college.

Too often her liabilities in the opinion of many employers, overbalanced her assets. In cases of this kind the employers felt that the fault lay entirely with the college girl's approach to business, so perhaps a few suggestions on this point of view would be helpful.

Instead of telling her prospective employer that she was not qualified to fill anything but a subordinate position at first, and that she was willing to learn by starting at the bottom, she tells him that she can do anything.

Many men who were in very responsible executive positions said that if they could get a college girl who could get along with people and had a sense of humor she would be a "world beater," and that she could attain any position within their organization, all things being equal. These are her possibilities, but too often she gives the rest of the office force the impression that she is "high hat."

Too often the college graduate thinks that right away she is going to do something "creative." Unfortunately only a few of us ever attain such heights and never until after a good deal of experience and hard knocks. Another criticism I encountered was that too often a girl entered an organization or business with the idea of reforming it or its employees.

I don't mean to be pessimistic in any way, but I feel strongly that if the senior who is looking for a job this June will guard against the two pitfalls of those who have gone before her, namely the appearance of being superior, and an unwillingness to start at the bottom, she will have no difficulty in finding a desirable job. If she enters business with the spirit of fair-play and adapts herself to her surroundings and works she will succeed in anything she attempts.

—MARGARETTA FENN From Mortar board quarterly

DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

MY IMPRESSION OF CONVENTION

(VII AND XI)

"Seven (come?) Eleven'—this almost unbelievable sound reached the street from the Kappa Alpha Theta house at William and Mary on the afternoon of March 29, yet no one appeared shocked. Surely then, it couldn't mean what the average school boy would think. I should say not, for the occasion was nothing less than the joint convention of Districts VII and XI of Kappa Alpha Theta, and each delegate, eager to uphold her district, was loyally echoing either seven or eleven. Any Theta from any district would have enjoyed this delightful week-end, March 29-31, with Beta Lambda, but no one could have enjoyed it more thoroughly than those fortunate ones who were present.

Friday morning, following an examination which proved each delegate a Theta, there was a short business meeting. Dele-

gates continued to arrive until about 2:00 Friday afternoon, and later in the afternoon we were taken on a "seeing Williamsburg" tour. We went through the original college building which dates from 1693 and which is now being restored to its original plan and construction. We also visited several historical homes and other places of special interest. Friday night was "stunt night" and practically every chapter put on a stunt. The shag prelude given by Beta Lambda was perhaps the hit of the evening.

Saturday morning there was another helpful business and conference period, and Saturday afternoon a real treat, a bus trip to Jamestown and Yorktown. The fact that it was a rainy afternoon seemed to add zest to the adventure, and we fairly reveled in the grand old historical scenes. Then came Beta Lambda's chance to shine again; the banquet Saturday night was all that a cleverly planned banquet should be. The analogy between Theta's kite and the modern airplane was featured, and the theme, that of the Air circus, was carried out in decorations and toasts. Following the banquet there was a delightful visit at Beta Lambda's house, where we danced and made merry until a late hour.

Sunday, after many loving Theta farewells, the girls departed, having made many new sister-friends and gained a wealth of inspiration from the convention. Beta Lambda will long be remembered for her cordial hospitality and charming girls.

10 April, 1929.

ELIZABETH RUCKER, Beta Rho

DISTRICT V

Convention, June 13-15, with Kappa as hostess, Lawrence, Kansas.

DISTRICTS II AND X

Tau will be hostess to this joint convention at her chapter house, Evanston, Illinois, early in June. For exact dates write Tau or the president of either district, as days not selected when this notice went to press.

DISTRICT VIII

Convention, June 6-8, with Alpha Omicron as hostess, Norman, Oklahoma.

WITH THETA AUTHORS

These are my jewels by L. B. CAMPBELL, Alpha Theta

This is a simple story, almost a scenario, but effective in its direct action, the first novel of an American woman, a professor of literature at the University of California. It is the story of a mother complex, reminding one of Sidney Howard's Silver cord, but less mechanical than that play and more convincing. Here is a good mother, who with the noblest of external motives will hold together her home. She has suppressed her husband, made one daughter so much her creature that her lovers have to choose between marrying the whole family or giving up, ruined the marriage of one son, put coldness into the heart of another son, and caused the voungest daughter to take refuge in flight—and all with the noblest of motives. And the story ends with the mother (a gold-star mother now) triumphant. She has repudiated the hasty war marriage of her dead son, and we leave her addressing a tearful multitude on the love of the God-mother. and the indissoluble bonds which bind mothers to their sons. There is satire, but no bitterness in the story. It is an arrow straight to the mark.

Book-of-the-month review

Lyonnesse by Gladys Bagg Taber, Alpha Psi See January issue for sketch of Mrs Taber

Combining in individual fashion the musical and mysterious aspects of verse, this collection of lyrics by a well-known Virginia playwright and educator achieves a polish not usual in the publication of a first volume. Especially in the long poem Lyonnesse which gives the book its title, is the influence of the supernatural and the weird accentuated, with a touch which recalls such effects as those in La Belle dame sans merci and other poems of the Pure Poetry tradition, as elucidated by George Moore.

Lyrics, sonnets, and descriptive verses give evidence of the range of this talented Southern author's talent, which is equally at home in a tender love poem and in a very effective description of *Hampstead Heath*.

This volume, which will be produced in discriminating format, will be bound in imported papers over sturdy boards, and will be illustrated in line drawings by a talented young Southern artist.—A BOZART BOOK

NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS DEFERRED RUSHING

HE first intersorority conference was called "for the purpose of discussing the question of pledging and rushing." Although, within two years, the greatest problem of pledging 'had been largely obviated by the establishment of a definite pledge day in each college and by the abolishment of pre-matriculation pledging," constantly changing college and fraternity conditions have meant that these general topics are still pertinent. By definitely defining a pledge, limiting its effectiveness, establishing its binding power on all campuses, and linking with it the present day signing of a preference slip, National Panhellenic congress has been able to bring about a gratifying decrease in problems growing out of actual pledging, but those which come from the combination of rushing and pledging have been less easily solved.

In 1902 and 1903, the congress went on record as favoring "as late a pledge day as possible," and in 1907, it urged that all college Panhellenics adopt sophomore pledge day in an effort to correct rushing and pledging evils. By 1912, the value of sophomore pledge day was believed so open to question that the congress authorized a thorough investigation of the system as it was then being used on all types of campuses, and in 1913, it voted to support the system on campuses where it was in effect but to encourage no other Panhellenics to adopt it. By 1926, the conviction was general that sophomore pledging had resulted in all-year rushing which, because it was not supposed to be rushing, became the most difficult, time taking, and expensive type of rushing; that it kept rushing in the foreground of the minds of fraternity members and freshmen with a resulting lowering of scholastic standards for both; that, since it took away the normal social contacts between students, it resulted in the forming of freshman groups or cliques which lacked the ideals, standards, and supervision of fraternities; that it kept from the freshman, during the most difficult and formative year of her college experience, the helpful friendship, influence, and guidance of interested upperclassmen in social life, campus activities, and scholarship, so National Panhellenic went on record as officially favoring a "short, open rushing season and an early pledge day." The 1928 congress reaffirmed this policy as the one best adapted to meet the needs of the fraternity, the college, and the student.

N.P.C. Committee on Information and Education

In Memoriam

MRS ESTELLE HINKLE LANGWORTHY, Alpha Died December 6, 1928

ELIZABETH HARBISON DUNN (Mrs James) Beta Died February 19, 1929

CALIFORNIA RUDY OBETZ (Mrs Henry L.) Gamma Died in 1928

MARY J. TINSMAN WATTS (Mrs Wayne) Eta Died November 22, 1928

CHARLOTTE HALL EASTMAN (Mrs J. C.) Eta Died March 10, 1929

> MARTHA MATTHEWS, Lambda Died March 21, 1929

JUNE YALE CROUTER (Mrs A. L.) Lambda Died February 25, 1929

> IDA JOSEPHINE HENDERSON, Mu Died October 2, 1928

> > Julia Clarke, Chi Died in spring of 1928

KITTY BUTTON PAYNE SCOTT (Mrs Guy) Psi Died January 31, 1929

MARGUERITE COLES McAllister (Mrs T. S.) Alpha Beta Died in January, 1929

> ELIZABETH BARTLETT NEWMAN, Beta Theta Died February 23, 1929

NEWS OF ALUMNAE

(Received too late for publication under "Chapter news", or concerning alumnæ of chapter that failed to send copy for this issue.)

Delta: New addresses for Elizabeth Crouch Peterson (Mrs Arthur) 63 Kensington rd. Bronxville, N.Y.

Kappa: Corriene Swisher has moved from Kansas city to

116 Washington blvd. Oak Park, Ill.

Omicron: Alice Jones Robertson (Mrs J. Granville) now lives at 820 Overton st. Portland, Oregon.

Rho: Born to Mr and Mrs Edward Farrow (Ruth Wilson)

a son, Edward Windsor, in Oct. 1928.

Chi: New addresses: Winifred Tuttle, 198 North st. Buffalo, N.Y.

Engagements: Marilyn Emond to Howard Forney of Greensboro, N.C.—Louise Miller to John Mumford Keese, III—Frances Terwilliger to Elmer T. Samson.

Born to Mr and Mrs L. J. Summerhays (Edna Long) a son,

Joseph Edward, Sept. 9, 1928.

Married: Josephine Sharpe and Joseph Parker. Address: 103 2d av. Newark, N.J.—Elizabeth Emond and Edward Ach, Apr. 6. They will live in Ottawa, Can.

Psi: Rachel Bradish is now Mrs Walter Norris of 931 Forest

av. Evanston, Ill.

Alpha Kappa: Anna Bulwinkle Penfield (Mrs Harold) lives in Chicago, Ill. at 6321 Winthrop av.

Isabelle Brown is now Mrs George French Jenkins. Address:

Box 907, Kirkland Lake, Ont. Can.

Alpha Mu: Born, Nov. 16, 1928, a son, Robert Carnahan, to Mr and Mrs John D. Crandall (Gladys Carnahan).

Alpha Pi: The present address of Corinne Heitman Shaft

(Mrs H. D.) is Bismarck, N.D.

Alpha Tau: Charlotte Merry is now Mrs Paul H. Selden of 521 Ridgewood rd. Maplewood, N.J.

Alpha Upsilon: Etta Louise Davenport is now Mrs. Carl

Ewing Georgeson of Lenora, Kan.

Beta Epsilon: Imogen Meserve Pemberton (Mrs R. B.) lives at Grays River, Wash.

Beta Theta: Married, Oct. 4, 1928, Frieda Carstens and Hugo

Schultz, Alpha Tau Omega.

Bonnie McCarthy is now Mrs Robert Tillotson and lives in Boise, Idaho.

COLLEGE CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha—DePauw University

Seventeen pledges were initiated March 15: Cornelia Aaron, Kokomo; Mary Elizabeth Aldred (daughter of Farrie Horton Aldred) Sheridan; Delight Baxter, Cornelia Dowling, Marjorie Ann Lilly, Marjorie DeVaney (sister of Katharine, Gamma), Indianapolis; Sarah Crouch, Helen Foster, Fortville; Marian Duncan, Bedford; Esther Hager (daughter of Harriet Campbell Hager) South Bend; Rebabelle McMahan, Rochester; Elwood Miller (sister of Virginia) Vincennes; Jane Miller, Danville, Illinois; Eleanor Peterson, Crawfordsville; Rosalie Robbins (daughter of Bertha Wood Robbins) Tacoma, Washington; Mary Elizabeth Royse (daughter of Mintie Allen Royse) Terre Haute; and Frances Wylie (sister of Evelyn and Emily) Paxton, Illinois.

At the same time affiliation services were held for Mary Louise Travis, Gamma deuteron, and Carol Hackman, Alpha Chi. Alpha has one new pledge, Mary Brandon (sister of Ann

Brandon Olinger, Beta).

Sarah Crouch, elected last fall to Duzer Du, took the lead in *The music master*, March 1 and 2. Josephine Travis and Helen Foster are Duzer Du pledges. Helen Keith (who played in *Huldah of Holland*, February 7) has a rôle in the music school opera, *Pinafore* in May, in which Theta members of the chorus are Margery Dick, Mary Brandon, Pauline Becker, and Miriam Green. Helen, with Margaret Pearson, soprano soloist, was in Chicago March 10 when the DePauw choir sang at the new University of Chicago chapel.

In scholarship first semester Theta took third place with 31.39 points. Virginia Miller has been elected to Phi Beta

Kappa.

A futuristic informal was enjoyed March 23. Spring formal will be May 18.

This year's May day pageant, an annual performance by the women of DePauw, was written by Betty Neely who will supervise its production too. Betty has been elected secretary of student body for 1929-30.

Barbara Bergen is vice-president of sophomore class. Betty

Lou Hunter is on Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, and a new member of Tusitala, literary society. Harriet Martin has been elected to Press club, and Marian Gravis to the executive board of the Women's sports association. Elwood Miller has made Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman women's scholastic organization.

As an Easter gift to the house our mothers sent the chapter money, to be spent as our chaperon, Mrs Ross, and a chapter committee shall decide.

27 March 1929

Harriet Martin

Helen Moffet is secretary to the president of Jean Stewart cosmetics co. New York city.

Catherine Tillotson, cashier of DePauw university, had a thousand dollars in stocks and bonds stolen when the Administration building safe was robbed.

Helen West Cannon (Mrs LeGrand) Indianapolis, presided at the farewell dinner which her father, Roy O. West, Secretary of the Interior during the last administration, gave for President and Mrs Coolidge.

Married: Frances Dickey to Charles Naftzger, Warsaw, Apr. 6.

Dr Lillian Brownfield has resigned from the DePauw faculty because of ill health.

Mr and Mrs Jacob Bintz (Alma Gobin) are making their home in Greencastle with Mrs. Clara Leaton Gobin.

Bettie Locke Hamilton, only living Founder, is living with her daughter, Edna Hamilton at 1340 Park av. Indianapolis, Ind.

Martha Anne Glessner, daughter of Mary Moses Glessner, was initiated by Tau chapter in Mar. The Glessners live at 6810 Cornell av. Chicago, Ill.

Beta-Indiana University

March 7, Beta initiated Berta Clare Herdrich, Dorothy Ann Rucker, Indianapolis; Mamie Lesh, Anna Belle Utter, Huntington; Elizabeth Pickett, Greenfield; Marcella Johnson, Gary; Margaret Jane Hutchinson, Brazil; Ruth Whitten, Auburn; Anita Heyland, Chicago; Gale Robinson, Bloomington; Virginia Mount, Connersville.

Martha Jewett has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

March 2, Beta entertained at a Bowery dance.

Margaret Meyer was charming as the leading lady in the Jordan river revue. June Jackson, Gamma, and Anna Belle Utter were in the supporting cast. Betty and Barbara Whitten and Dot Jarvis made the sophomore swimming team.

Ruth Kirby, who has been ill, has gone to Tucson, Arizona. Beta misses her but is glad to hear that she is much improved.

28 March 1929

Helen Fisher

Vera Reynolds, Manilla, Ind. was in the Collegiate hall of fame in the March issue of College humor.

Born in Jan. to Mr and Mrs B. H. Droelinger (Edna Corr) a daughter.

Blendean Clute is living at 536 Cass st. Chicago, Ill.

Mrs Harry Boyd Milliken is living in a beautiful new home at 2084 Prairie av. Miami Beach, Fla.

Josephine Hatch is now Mrs Marsh, living at 107-79th st. Jackson Heights, L.Is.

Mary Jane DeHority is now Mrs Victor S. Owen, National Soldiers home, Los Angeles co. Calif.

Gamma—Butler University

Initiation at the chapter house March 24, was for: Josephine Brown, Priscilla Demler, Mary Jane Krull (daughter of Clara Lancaster Krull), Harriett McGaughy (daughter of Mary Bailey McGaughy), and Valentia Meng of Indianapolis; Jane Riddell, Chicago; Frances Welborne (sister of Dorothy, and of Ruth and Marion of Beta, also daughter of Edith Gaunt Welborne, Beta); Marie Hill, Lebanon; Helen Hall, Portland.

March 13, the chapter was honored by a visit from Mrs Bettie Locke Hamilton. After a spread and a stunt by the pledges, Mrs Hamilton talked to the members on the founding of Kappa Alpha Theta.

25 March 1929

Hilda Griffith

Mr and Mrs S. B. Van Arsdale (Lucille Hodges) have moved from Danville, Ill. to Indianapolis, 631 E. 60th st.

Gamma Deuteron-Ohio Wesleyan University

March 23, we initiated Phyllis Clark, Wilma Hafenbrak, Louise Headley, Mary Louise Ingalls, Mary Kaufman, Cornelia King, Mary Learey, Marian May, Elizabeth Montague, Margaret Rudin, Marian Schlessinger, Harriet Skidmore, Elizabeth Tener, and Anne Zartman. After initiation there was a formal banquet in one of Hoffman's dinner rooms. Gladys Lynch, District president, was here for initiation.

Jenny May Dougherty has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa and to Kappa Delta Pi, education society. Eleanor Harbage, sophomore, and Wilma Hafenbrak, freshman, were elected to Phi society, a junior organization sponsored by Phi Beta Kappa to give recognition to high scholastic standing by underclassmen.

This Commencement, this chapter will celebrate the fifth anniversary of its re-installation on Ohio Wesleyan campus. All our alumnæ will receive a little magazine, *The kite's tale*, as an invitation. We are trying to have a one-hundred-percent-re-union.

Margaret Worman is chairman of seniors and Jane Hamilton, of sophomores in the campaign to raise money for the new women's building.

Sara West, senior, is chairman of the intersorority song con-

test, May 24.

Caroline Rose Redrup and Henrietta Slater will take part in the annual musical show given by Omicron Delta Kappa. Henrietta W. Slater 28 March 1929

Delta-University of Illinois

March 23, Delta initiated Katherine Hawbaker (Theta daughter) Monticello; Florence Martin (Theta daughter) Joliet; Nancy Meed and Louise Cameron (Theta sisters) and Anne Jones, Jean Smith, Winifred Haven, and Virginia Amsbury, all 'townies;' Frances Eberlein, Alton; Ella Shortiss and Annette Scholl, Chicago; Elizabeth Furst, Peoria; Mary Virginia Wright, Racine, Wisconsin; Aileen Durin, Steward; and Virginia Sherman, Daytona Beach, Florida. Mary Virginia, Anne, and Louise made Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman scholastic society. Nancy is social chairman of Oranges and blue feathers.

Berneice Stephens was elected social chairman of Gold feathers, sophomore organization. Billie Farnham, Anna Mae Richardson, and Emily Johnson are on Gold feathers committees. Rachel Hill made the varsity basketball team, Irene Doolen the varsity volleyball team, and Virginia Burke Smith a color team. These girls, with Billie Farnham, see to it that Theta is well represented on the athletic field. With Alberdine Hatcher as publicity chairman, and Mary Roberts as assistant supervisor of modelling. Delta had an important part in the very successful Woman's league fashion revue. Frances Campbell and Virginia Gallaher were in the chorus. Mary Roberts and Katherine Hawbaker were models. Billie Farnham was given a cup for her ingenuity in conducting a ticket sale for a Pierrot show. Billie was also initiated into Mask and Bauble, dramatic society. Ellinore Carroll was chosen one of the eight most beautiful girls on campus. Eunice Collins and Margaret Railsback made Anonian literary society.

Delta is planning to enter Y. W. Stunt show and Shi Ai sing. Anna Mae Richardson is publicity chairman for Stunt

An event to which we are looking forward is Mothers' day, when we hope to entertain all of our mothers. Emily Johnson

28 March 1929

Born to Mr and Mrs George E. Schumaker (Edith Lill) a daughter, Mary Ann, Feb. 25.

Married: Vera Klintz and William Colwell, Mar. 9. Marion Manley is an architect in Miami, Fla.

Nancy Bond Smith is now Mrs David Blair Burleigh, 2504 Harlem st. Rockford, Ill.

Mrs Donald Saunders (Elizabeth Ward) lives in Georgian Junior Apts. 259 Melwood st. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Born, to Mr and Mrs James Arthur Roach (Rachel James) a son, James Herbert.

Eta-University of Michigan

Our sunny breakfasts and candle-lit dinners are made more delightful through the fresh leafy green silk curtains which our chaperon, Mrs Franklin Moore, made for the dining-room windows. Mrs Moore is a charming substitute for our well-known Mother Vedder who is in Europe with her daughter. The dining-room is quite transformed by new wall-paper, made possible by Eta association.

Catherine Bradley, Genevieve Coan, Agnes Davis, Rachel Fleming, Winifred Hartmen, Miriam Highley, Marjorie Mullen, Esther Upjohn, and Alice Wolfs were initiated March 9. Many alumnæ were at the banquet, where Elizabeth Pardee was awarded the scholarship ring for the best scholastic record in the chapter last semester.

Eta jumped to one-hundred hours of 'A' last semester, from thirty-five hours of 'A' the preceding semester. A freshman said "That's 'cause we're all trying to fly with our kites and not getting tangled up in de tales."

Theta was in the semi-finals of the intramural basketball tournament.

A new radio, a gift from Ellen Grinnell, enlivened the formal dinner March 27, when we entertained the Advisors of women, the Misses Beatrice Johnson, Alice Lloyd, and Grace Richards.

Murial Anderson, Virginia Trobridge, and Jean Wallace took part in the junior girls' play, Forward march which played an entire week in Ann Arbor and one evening in Detroit. Many class spirited Thetas served on its committees, unlauded, but giving many hours to the work. The house had a midnight pajama spread for those in the junior girls' play, for the basketball team, and for all freshmen living outside the house.

Miriam Highley was elected to Alpha Lambda Delta, new freshman club. Catherine Bradley was initiated by Theta Sigma Phi. Someone just rushed up and said "Don't forget to say we all met Jack Dempsey." We entertained Jack Dempsey for a little while and now members of Eta who haven't seen Lindy nor been at the same church with the President have at least conversed with Jack Dempsey.

4 April 1929

Catherine Bradley

Born to Dr and Mrs Robert Elrod (Martha Branningham) a son, Robert, jr.

Born to Mr and Mrs Thomas Casady (Eleanor Worthington) a son,

Charles Worthington, Dec. 24, 1928.

Born to Mr and Mrs R. Gerveys Grylls (Margaret Lee Jenks) a daughter, Sarah Lee, Dec. 23, 1928.

Born to Mr and Mrs R. B. Gripman (Ruby Severance) a son, William Severance, June 26, 1928.

Mrs R. M. Wright (Gertrude Gripman) is living in Jackson, Mich. Mr and Mrs Dale Darling (Charlotte Haller) are touring Europe on a motorcycle.

Dorothy Baird is engaged in personnel work at Crowley, Milner's. Address, 1726 Seward av. Detroit, Mich.

Marian Dutton is associated with the J. L. Hudson co. Address: Webster hall, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs Paul M. Moore (Grace Ohlmacher) is living in Iowa City, Iowa, where Dr Moore is a member of the medical faculty.

Married: in Sept. 1928, Margaret Hays and Thomas Cavanaugh. Address: 670 Riverside dr. New York city.

Married: Nov. 12, 1928, Wilma Whitehead and George N. Wilson, jr. Address: 4536 Livington st. Dallas, Tex.

Married: Feb. 27, Ethel Moore to Daniel Low, Δ T, Amherst. Theta bridesmaids: Elsa Ohlmacher Patterson, Grace Malott and Edna Balz. Address, Marblehead, Mass.

Helen Monroe returned from three years study in Europe, is connected with the department of modern art at Marshall Field and co. Chicago.

Iota—Cornell University

March 17 we gave a student tea, accompanied by the appropriate St Patrick trimmings. We are now looking forward to our Spring formal dance, at the Country club April 18.

The scholarship bracelet has been awarded to Eleanor Gray, who thus received this honor for the second time.

At a recent meeting of W.S.G.A. Myrtle Pullen was elected president of one of the units of the new dormitory to be opened in September. Seniors and sophomores will occupy the dormitory, which is divided into four units, with a senior president at the head of each.

Carroll Martinetti has been elected to active membership in the Dramatic club. Ruth Gillespie has been elected to Chi Upsilon, women's geological society. Hilda Smith has been elected to Dot and circle, rifle club.

We all enjoyed seeing Ann Hagstrom and Katherine Saul who recently paid us flying visits.

2 April 1929

Mary Eleanor Smith

Born to Mr and Mrs W. F. Stotz (Anne Hoehler) a daughter, Nancy Wilhemina, Dec. 6, 1928.

Betty Keiper's name appears more and more frequently with signed articles in the Rochester Times Union, of whose staff she is a member.

New addresses: Mrs R. G. Huff (Martha O'Brien) Romulus, Mich.—Mrs C. A. Kahn (Louise Kreuter) Apt. 3A, 30 5th av. New York, N.Y.—Mrs L. M. Orton (Evelyn Folks) Cor. 261st st. Palisade av. New York, N.Y.

Kappa—University of Kansas

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Lambda—University of Vermont

February 3 Lambda pledged Esther Seaver (sister of Rebecca) senior, Burlington; Edith Thomas, Ludlow; Elizabeth Weston, Danvers, Massachusetts; and Carolyn Whitney, Essex Junction, all sophomores. The service was followed by supper at Hotel Vermont.

Rushing began the second week after mid-year and lasted three weeks. Lambda gave an open house, a tea, and a final party to which, by a new Panhellenic ruling, only girls with a seventy-five per cent average could be asked. The last party was progressive, began with a pirate party in a treasure cove, continued with a southern party at which dinner (with traditional roast pigs) was served, and ended at the chapter house in a night club scene, with chorus girls and confetti galore.

At dawn, March 2, we pledged Ruth Houghton, sophomore, Burlington; Christine Bliss (sister of Laura), Janet Miller (sister of Margaret), and Margaret Mower, all from Burlington; Elizabeth Hollis, Lynn, Massachusetts; Isabel Holmes, St. Albans; Margaret Martin and Harriet Platt, Poughkeepsie, New York; Hope Ranslow, Montpelier; and Kathryn Rauh, South Orange, New Jersey, all freshmen.

Our annual pledge dance was at the chapter house March 9. Initiation was March 26, followed by a banquet at Hotel Vermont at which Mrs Mary Mills Deyette was a charming toastmistress.

On senior week committees Catharine Bassett, Dorothy Cottrell, Annette Middleton, Dorothy Strong, and Mildred Whitney hold important positions.

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Virginia Noyes

Born: to Mr and Mrs A. C. Goodwin, jr. (Hilda Woodruff) a son, Albert Clark Goodwin, third, Jan. 28. Address: West Sand Lake, N.Y.

Born to Mr and Mrs Phillips D. Carleton (Katherine Pease) a son, Mar. 16. Address: 227 Main st. Burlington, Vt.

Engaged: Ann Perkins to C. Allen Middlebrook, jr.

Mr and Mrs Ray Smalley (Ruth Hubbell) and their three children left Belgian Congo March 1 for a furlough in this country. They will be in Burlington for Commencement. They have been doing missionary work in Africa for five years.

Mr and Mrs Philip Keeler (Merle Smalley) are the parents of a

son born in February.

Mu-Allegheny College

Mu announces the initiation February 16 of Dorothy Webb (daughter of Josephine Bates Webb and sister of Margaret, Mary Jo and Helen), Myra Kelley (sister of Elizabeth), Evelyn Wyatt (sister of Laurene), Rosanna Riordan, all of Meadville; Georgia Buckham, Erie; Charlotte Feazel, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; Dorothy Fritz, Parnassus; Peggy Herr, Ben Avon; Twyla Jean Hoch, Chicora; and Claire Rodkey, Charleroi. Ruth Sundback, Meadville, was pledged February 25.

Mu will have an informal dance April 5 at the home of Elizabeth Kelley. Spring party will be at the Oakland hotel May 10. The women's interfraternity dance at Cochran hall March 16 was a great success; for it Mary Jane Barringer and Martha Carr worked on the decorations committee. March 16 the freshmen entertained the chapter at a St Patrick's day party at the home of Ruth Sundback.

Work on two new buildings, Arter hall and Calflisch hall, is progressing. Arter hall is a copy of Bentley, the administration building. It will be used for recitations, and also has a little theater in the basement. Calflisch is a dormitory for the freshman men. Both halls will be ready in September.

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Margaret Helmbold

Dorothy Davidson Hearn (Mrs J. D.) has moved from Paduch, Ky. to 1841 Roanoke av. Louisville, Ky.

Address of Frances Bond Horner (Mrs Wm. J.) is 6 Plaza dr. Berkeley, Calif.

Married: Margaret Webb and Frederick Campbell. Address: 601

Morton av. Redley Pk. Philadelphia, Pa.

Births: to Mr and Mrs Fred Powell (Doretha Nichols) a daughter, Margaret Lloyd, Dec. 23, 1928.—to Mr and Mrs W. D. Hardaway (Almira Barrett) a daughter, Harriet.—to Mr and Mrs E. Clark (Ella Mae Wilson) a daughter, Noel Demuth, Dec. 29, 1928.—to Mr and Mrs Robert Sternberg (Margaret Cleveland) a daughter, Susan, Jan. 22.—to Mr and Mrs W. D. Smith (Sereta Fielder) a daughter, Geraldine Louise.—to Mr and Mrs Mervin Shryock (Elizabeth Bates) a son, David.—to Mr and Mrs

S. A. Alter (Margaret Louise Hammond) a son, Samuel Ash, Jr.—to Dr and Mrs I. C. Krueger (Gertrude Stuntz) a son, Irwin Carl, ir.

Dorcas Hall is studying at Columbia and Union theological school. She will return to India in September, where she will spend another five years teaching in a girls' school.

Helen Murray is studying at Columbia.

Ruth Kelly Salisbury is secretary to Dr Ben Graham, first associate superintendent of schools, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Rachel Smith Newlin has moved to Akron, Ohio, where she is engaged in Y.W.C.A. work.

Julia Heibel who spent the winter in Los Angeles, has returned to Harrisburg, Pa. where she is a psychologist with the state department of welfare.

New addresses: Leona Rupp Richards (Mrs John D.) 1019 W. Philadelphia st. Indiana, Pa.—Adelaide Singley Yost (Mrs Robert L.) 155 Tillman av. Johnstown, Pa.—Blanche Taylor Baker (Mrs Edison H.) 11 Schenck av. Great Neck, L.I.—Ruth Dodd Kale (Mrs R. B.) 115 Van Rensselaer av. Stanford, Conn.—Florence Griswold Smith (Mrs J. D.) 163-17 Myrtle av. Flushing, N.Y.

Omicron-University of Southern California

Southern California's fraternity circle has been augmented by the installation of a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

February pledging brought us Ione Buxton, Helen Omer, and Winifred Wentz.

Initiated March 17—Grace Davis, Marjory Hamilton, Maurine Honey, Barbara and Dorothy Hurley, Marjory Kendall, Margaret Martin (sister of Evelyn), Hazel Redfield, Nancy Underhill, Virginia White (sister of Catherine), and Adelaide Wilson. As pledges, they gave the house a radio, which is certainly a joy to the chapter.

We are pleased to report a tennis star among our members, Midge Gladman, who recently realized a life's ambition in defeating May Sutton Bundy.

Charlotte La Touche

Married: Floy Malcom to Donald Williams, Σ X, Mar. 1.—Janet Farrington to Lawerence Van Murick, Mar. 19.

Rho-University of Nebraska

April 6 we will initiate twenty-one pledges, after which there will be a banquet at the Lincoln hotel. Helen Struble will receive the badge awarded to the freshman with the highest average; her average was 89. Bereniece Hoffman and Eva Spellbring also had an 89 average, but Helen had the highest fraction.

Rho will make an award for the first time to the freshman who has shown the best Theta spirit during the year. This

award is a large plaque bearing the Theta crest, property of the chapter, on which will be engraved each year the winner's name. Eva Spellbring and Rowena Bengtson are the first to receive this honor.

Rushing next fall will be even more difficult as the period has been cut to two days, since the university wishes to set aside Monday of the first week of college as freshman day, when new students will be made acquainted with the campus and university rules and functions. No rush parties will be allowed until Tuesday, and classes begin Thursday. However, we will have more freedom in summer rushing, for the new rules provide that five fraternity girls may entertain one rushee, and such affairs will not count as one of the five parties allowed a fraternity.

Rho is happy to announce the affiliation of Margaret Ward, Alpha; Margaret Byers, Beta Beta; and Margaret Gilger, Alpha Iota.

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Helen Day

Betty Kennedy is to be married May 4 to Christian Dondore, Φ K Σ . They will live in Minneapolis.

Ruth Miller is to be married to Walter M. Wheeler, Φ K Φ , in June.

They will live in Grand Island.

Virginia Morcum has announced her engagement to Dr Reginald Everett, A Σ Φ and N Σ N.

Mr and Mrs George Burgen (Sarah Smeaton) have moved to Dayton,

Ohio, where he is connected with the Frigidaire co.

Mr and Mrs Robert Olmstead (Edith Royal Tyler) announce the birth of a daughter, Mary.

Gwen Foote with her family is traveling in Europe.

Elizabeth Tuttle Holsman (Mrs H. K.) had her work shown at two Spring art exhibits in Chicago—exhibit of Artists of Chicago at the Art institute and exhibit of Chicago galleries association, department of women sculptors.

Sigma—University of Toronto

Easter brings no holidays in Toronto. With examinations only three weeks off, and the Panhellenic scholarship cup to keep, the grind is already on. Completed preparations for the house-party the last week of May, however, afford some consolation.

The annual Panhellenic banquet took place in February at the King Edward hotel. One of the two new fraternities on campus, Delta Sigma, then made its first public appearance. Alpha Delta Pi took no part, as it is only within the last week that it received its charter. Sigma's traditional seniors party at which alumnæ present short skits portraying the human weaknesses of members of the graduating year, was held March 19 at the home of Nora Doran. With thirty alumnæ present the party was a great success.

Of great interest to all amateur dramatists and actors is a recent experiment in Toronto. A musical comedy written and composed by two arts undergraduates, and all its parts, including singing and dancing choruses, taken by undergraduates, was presented in the theater of Hart house. The production ran for a week, and had a tremendous success. Professional critics were interested and found much to merit praise in the words and music of the setting. Sigma's representative in the cast, Margaret McKay, unfortunately had to withdraw on account of sickness.

Sigma announces the pledging of Isabel Wells, Port Credit, sophomore.

5 April 1929

Nora M. Doran

Jean Scott lives at 1117-9th av. Greeley, Colo.

Tau-Northwestern University

Tau has had a busy time with chapter elections, initiation, campus elections, and tournament rounds. March 16 Tau initiated, Carol Baker, Edwina Cadmus, Beth Cole, Gertrude Davis, June Barber, Martha Glessner, Sara Gwin, Betty Howland, Dorothy Hanchett, Mary Merrill, Jeanne Kiekenapp, Mary Eleanor Gray, Irene Richmond, Alice Shackleton, Margaret Schuckhart, and Helen Hansman. Following initiation there was a banquet at the Georgian hotel.

In the campus spring elections Olive Roper was elected president of Y.W.C.A. for 1929-30; Lorraine Anderson, Big sister chairman of W.S.G.A.; Virginia Saunders, first vice-president of W.S.G.A. Florence Smith and Virginia Saunders were appointed to the 1929 All-university circus board.

March 25 Tau's bridge team, Lorraine Anderson and Millicent Dillon, with Alvera Bleil acting as alternate, won the annual Shi-Ai bridge tournament, over a field of fifteen other fraternities. They were awarded a silver loving-cup for their victory.

Plans for District convention are under way. Tau hopes to welcome many Thetas in June when the chapter house will open its doors to convention.

1 April 1929

Florence Smith

Genevieve Forbes Herrick and her husband spent the winter writing amid a colony of literary and artistic folk in Vermont.

Upsilon-University of Minnesota

February 9 Elsie Adams, Artesian, South Dakota; Becky Bailey, Virginia; Lillian Bissell, Ethel Conary and Marjorie Davis, Minneapolis; Gertrude Mulroney, Fort Dodge, Iowa; and Constance Weld, Slayton, were initiated. In March Louise Kiewel, Little Falls; and Louise Malinson, Omaha, Nebraska, were pledged.

Minnesota's Panhellenic voted to try second quarter rushing. The length of the trial has not been determined though the issue has been the most important subject of conversation for the past month. The change was made to try to give incoming freshmen a chance to become oriented with campus, as well as to give them ample time to choose the fraternity in which they may be happiest.

March 1 Theta freshmen were busy with hammers, tacks, colored paper and spanish shawls. The occasion was a modernistic ball which they gave for the chapter. The next evening, March 2, our Mothers' club gave a benefit bridge to raise money for new furnishings in the chapter house. Our living room is greatly improved by slip covers for chair and davenport, the clubs newest gifts to us. Upsilon entertained her favorite deans and professors with their wives March 7. President and Mrs Coffman were present too.

There is to be no year-book at Minnesota this year, as the book is being changed from a junior to a senior publication. Nevertheless a supplement is to be printed on which Mildred Shulind and Helen Halden are assisting.

We are happy to have Kirtlye Choisser, Psi, and Hortense Mallors, Alpha Pi, here as transfers.

1 April 1929

Lois Poole

Married: Virginia Carlson to Albert J. Frank. Address: Ashland, Mass.

Avis Litzenberg Chase has a son born Jan. 29.

Born to Mr and Mrs Lauren S. Tuttle (Marguerite Strange) Feb. 14, a daughter, Mary Louise.

Born to Dr and Mrs Gordon MacRae (Margery McCullough) a daughter, Carol. Address: 724 E. 21st st. Duluth, Minn.

Alice McCullough and Russell Miller, Σ X, were married Jan 2. Address: Canton, Ohio.

Mrs George L. Plowman (Maude Bell) sailed Apr. 10 for London to continue her studies in painting.

Mr and Mrs R. B. North (Ann Smith) have returned to Minneapolis. Address: 2312 Girard av. S.

Marjorie Round is now in Minneapolis with the Foster bureau in the L. S. Donaldson store.

Engagements: Eileen Powers to Harold W. Dougher, and Alice Cassedy to Herman Meili, Δ K E.

Eloise Rowen is organist at the State theater.

Mrs Hazel Lotze Whitaker coached the Minneapolis Junior league plays this season.

Mrs Lawrence F. Eder (Margaret Streaker) lives at 2209 Chapala st.

Phi-Stanford University

April 14 Phi initiated the ten girls, pledged the second week after winter quarter opened. They are Maxine Powers (sister of Marylyn, junior, and daughter of Edith Hill Powers); Ruth Nelson, Kansas City (daughter of Anna Harrison Nelson, Kappa, a former Grand president); Joan Reppy (daughter of Agnes Arneill Reppy); Anita Utt (sister of Jean, sophomore); Lydia Ross and Frances Wallace, from Arizona; Jean Marquis, from Washington; Harriet Huntington, from Pasadena; Margaret Newcomber, from Santa Monica; Marion Lewis, from Los Angeles; and Ruth Strout from Alameda. February 21 Mr and Mrs Frick, parents of Barbara and Anne Frick, active members of Phi, gave a dance at their beautiful home at Woodside in honor of the new initiates. There was a moon, and terraces, and the best of music, so the evening was conceded one of great enjoyment.

With the beginning of the new quarter April 1 Phi assembled again in its brown house. Once more the swing of academic, social, and extra-curricular activity is carrying campus along. Elections and selections for committees and theatricals are placing Thetas in prominent places. Betty Alden is successor to Ruth Tinsley as president of Y.W.C.A. while yet a junior. Elizabeth Ann Lynch, Betty Alden, and Anne Frick are in the girls chorus for Junior opera. Betty Alden and Elizabeth Woodyatt are on the ballot for junior and sophomore members of Women's council.

Four members graduated in March: Ruth Tinsley, who is continuing graduate work in psychology; Catherine Wilson, who returned to her home in Los Angeles preparatory to a tour through Europe; Barbara Denny Poole, who returned to her home in Ithaca, New York; and Edwina Ewing, living in Palo Alto, soon to be married, to Ernest Henry Renzel, Jr.

6 April 1929

Ruth Hembroff

Married: Feb. 21, Evelyn McLaughlin and John Gerstle Levison. Address: 1755 Jackson st. San Francisco, Calif.

Born to Mr and Mrs W. S. Cary (Florence Whittier) a daughter, Feb. 19.

New address: Elizabeth Bradford Van Norden (Mrs M. L.) 806 Bronx River rd. Bronxville, N.Y.

Chi-Syracuse University

Activity elections are just over and Chi is proud to announce—vice-president of Women's student senate, Jeanne Barnes; vice-president of Women's athletic association, Beatrice Bazata; managers, for basketball, Kathryn Stauffer for hockey, Frances Van DenBurgh, for tennis, Roberta Massey; treasurer of Y.W.C.A. Margaret Iglehart.

Tuesday, March 19, we moved into our new chapter house. The furnishings for the living room, lounge, and library, were a gift from Mr and Mrs Harry R. Templeton, a member and her husband. We can never thank them enough. The chapter is now

more compact with all living in one house.

Virginia Cuthbert and Edith Schmidt are pledged to Boar's head, dramatic club. They both work on the art staff. For the club's last production, *Tons of money*, Edith designed the scenery, carrying out a modernistic theme. Virginia Cuthbert, junior in painting, has been pledged to Tau Sigma Delta, architecture and allied arts international society.

March 11 Jane Buck was pledged. February 7 Louis Miller

was initiated.

Chi regrets losing Elizabeth Davies, home in Chicago Heights because of illness.

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Katherine Coe

New addresses: Mrs Leonard S. Fulmer (Grace Morrison) 115 Edgehill rd. Syracuse, N.Y.—Mrs John L. Coppie (Marion Peck) Suite 21, 1391 Commonwealth av. Boston, Mass.

Births: to Mr and Mrs John L. Coppie (Marion Peck) Feb. 1, a son, John Lee, Jr.—to Mr and Mrs Everett C. Shults (Martha Hahn) Mar. 2, a daughter, Martha Anne.

Married: Doris H. Moore and Paul W. Allen, A T Ω.

Psi-University of Wisconsin

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Omega-University of California

February 3 Omega initiated Betty Barber, Janet Brittain, Fay Chubbuck, Alice Duffy, Helen Jacobs, Mary Katherine Langaker, Jean Oliver, Virginia Scott, Barbara Warren, Marianne Wooll, and Eleanor Worley. The ritual was followed by an appropriately cheerful banquet.

February 6 we had ten rushees to formal dinner, during

and after which we danced.

Next, as a continuation of the social round, at 8:00 A.M.

February 9 Thetas living in the house were aroused to find the roof on fire! Firemen and boys from neighboring houses extinguished the flames and helped carry out furniture and clothes. Due to prompt action, there was little danger. The roof of the house, however, was badly burned, and the upstairs rooms were so damaged by smoke and water that it was found necessary for girls to vacate the house during repairs. Consequently, Mrs Watson and the house girls moved to the Durant hotel where meetings were held during the five weeks until the house was reopened. Much credit should be given to Mrs Watson and President Mary Clark for the splendid way in which they handled a difficult situation. We came back to the completely renovated house March 13, and three days later, gave our Spring formal at Mary Oliver's home, which was a good enough party even to celebrate Omega's return home.

Constance Pedder recently took the leading part in a Little theater play, Shaw's *The man of destiny*. She is to have the lead in another, Goldsmith's *The good-natured man*. Helen Delany was elected to Parliament, campus debating society.

26 March 1929

Eleanore Worley

Engaged: Mary Elizabeth Clark to Philip Read Bradley, jr. '27, K A; Helen Clay Pope to Frederick Worthen Bradley '26, K Σ ; Helen Munger to James Vaughn '27, K Δ P.

Olive Brand is swimming instructor at the Women's athletic club in

Oakland.

Hazel Kay is manager of a Magnin shop in Pasadena.

Cornelia Stratton Parker spoke recently in Rochester, N.Y. on Travel or college?

Elizabeth Howard is now Mrs John Ide Dakin, 1140 Taylor st. San Francisco, Calif.

Alpha Beta-Swarthmore College

In athletics we are justly proud of Theta members of the swimming team—Caroline Jackson, Eleanor Jenkins, Sarah Stidham, Nancy Biddle and Priscilla Rawson: also of Helen Booth and Elizabeth Stirling, who helped the basketball team materially in its splendid season of only one defeat.

We are proud of the Feature editor, Eleanor Jenkins of *Phoenix*, college newspaper, and of Priscilla Miller, one of its

scribes.

In dramatics Thetas have been successful. Sarah Powell is to be Viola in *Twelfth night*, Commencement play. Barbara Pearson and Elma Hurlock have leading parts in the Little theater club play, *The truth*.

We are likewise represented scholastically: Margaret Worth, Marion Harris and Mary Roberts, all being eligible for the

Lucretia Mott fellowship.

Ruth Jackson has been elected to Mortar board. Ruth is an open scholar, a member of Student conduct, an athlete of no mean ability, and our delegate to District convention at William and Mary.

21 March 1929

Louise K. Yerkes

Engaged: Leah Shriner to Winthrop Leads; Esther Shallcross to Leigh MacGee.

Born: Marietta Jean to Mr and Mrs William Gowdy (Margaret Jameson).—Frances Palmer to Mr and Mrs H. M. Jenkins (Elsa Palmer).

The new address of Mrs P. M. Malin (Caroline Biddle) is 3981 Gosman av. Long Island City, N.Y.

Alpha Gamma—Ohio State University

Alpha Gamma has recently added two new cups to its collection. The taller of these came to the winner of the annual intersorority sing, and states on its shiny surface that Theta has held that title now for three consecutive years. We thank Olive Jones for her capable direction in this project. The other cup was given as third prize by Women's athletic association in annual vaudeville show, Hi-Jinx. Mary Jane Auld and Dorothy Hooper had charge of the Theta stunt.

Last quarter two pledges, Margaret Miller and Mary Eggerton, represented Theta in the intramural debates, and they had not been defeated when college closed for vacation. The

debates will be resumed again soon.

Louise Johnson has been chosen senior class prophet. Elizabeth Dillon and Lois Fassig are on the committee for senior prom, April 12. Olive Jones, Doris Blue, Margaret Bobb, Dorothy Hooper, Marguerite Carlin, Katherine Born, Ruth Crabill, Virginia Taylor, and Betty Bonnet are on committees for May Fête, produced every other year under the auspices of Women's self-government association. Marguerite Carlin is director of rehearsals for *The winter's tale*, spring play of Browning dramatic society, in which Margaret Miller, Olive Jones, Dorothy Hooper, Sarah L. Ervin, Ruth Crabill, Katherine Born, Frances Goll, and Betty Bonnet have parts.

Our formal dinner dance was March 1 at the Deshler-Wallick

hotel.

New decorations in the house surprised us when we returned to college after spring vacation. The credit for them goes to Mary Jane Auld, Dorothy Hooper, and Elizabeth Kingsbury, who painted and sewed and shopped and planned during their ten days of supposed rest. The result justified the effort.

We miss Elizabeth Southard, who graduated last quarter, but are glad to welcome back Virginia Shoop and Mary Jo Keegan.

4 April 1929

Betty Bonnet

Sue Belle Reemelin has announced her engagement to Howard F. Haines, Σ II. The wedding will be June 22 in Cincinnati.

Betty Moss Connolley is in France studying at the Paris branch of the New York school of fine and applied arts. Her address: 9 Place des Vosges, Paris, France.

Roberta D. Connolley has recently returned to Smith college from a vacation trip to Bermuda.

Mrs Agler (Ruth Evans) has returned from a cruise through the West Indies.

Mrs Charles Burt has returned from a visit to Ashville, N.C.

Alpha Delta-Goucher College

February 16 Roana Bass and Isabelle King of Baltimore; Ione Shaffer and Margaret Spratt of Kansas City, Missouri; Rhoda Blossom, Staten Island, New York; Eleanor Branson, Washington, District of Columbia; Elizabeth Carlisle, Wayne, Pennsylvania; Elizabeth Swing, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania; Gertrude Rebert, Hanover, Pennsylvania; Conetta Lee Sloan, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Betty Fritz, New Bedford, Massachusetts, were initiated. The banquet following at the Southern hotel was a great success.

Sing-sang, annual competition between classes for new and better college songs, was in Katy gym. It was the most beautiful and best organized ever. Virginia Jones was chairman.

The senior class presented Shaw's Caesar and Cleopatra with remarkable beauty and finish. In the cast were five Theta seniors Marjory Bennett, Virginia Jones, Josephine Cliffe, Maxine Grath and Louise Parrish. Marjory Bennett had a leading part as the blustering Ruffio. Robin Smith was business manager of the production.

Maxine Grath is chairman of senior prom, Elizabeth Creighton, chairman of Step-singing, Betty Fritz, chairman of junior-senior banquet and recording secretary of Student organization.

[No date] Nancy Gray Larrick

Weddings: Mary Wilmer Haines to George G. Carter, Jan. 28; Ruth Wills to Donald Drummond, Mar. 23; Nancy Crowe to John Craig Heston, Apr. 4; Margaret Mitchell to Philip Hersema, they will live in Tucson, Ariz.

Alpha Eta-Vanderbilt University

The new initiates are Freda Donnell, Grace Daniels, Adelaide Douglas, Emma Liz Greene, Mary Padgett, Mary Ann Powell, Cora Thomas, Olivia Weaver, Virginia Wood initiated in January; and Rosa Brockman and Frances Armistead, in April. Anna White won the badge presented annually by Nashville alumnæ chapter to the freshman with the highest average.

Our District convention was held in conjunction with that of District VII at William and Mary college March 28 to 30. Annie Brown was our delegate.

Annie, by the way, is the third of a family of five sisters to be a Theta. A charming little red-head, she is as energetic as she is vivacious and as efficient as she is lovable.

The chapter was entertained by Nashville alumnæ chapter at a party March 28, at the clubhouse of the Ward-Belmont club of which Linda Rhea is sponsor.

Peggy O'Connor is associate editor and Anna White, art editor of *Masquerader*. Dorothy Culbert is on the staff of *Hustler*. Helen Moore, Dorothy Culbert and Helen Holt are members of Chi Delta Phi.

Alpha Eta loses by graduation thirteen girls: Elizabeth Jackson graduated in January, Evelyn Duncan, Helen Moore, Matilda Treanor, Stella Vaughn, Ruth Read, Sara Tucker, Martha Smith, Sophie Parsons, Helen Holt, Annie G. Greenlaw, Mary Elizabeth Wilson and Ida Louise Lyerly finish in June.

28 March 1929. Helen Holt

Married: Mar. 21, Cornelia Parks to Joseph W. Byrns, Φ K Ψ , son of Congressman Byrns, Representative from Tennessee; Martha Kingree to Frederick Slaughter, B Θ II.

Mr and Mrs Ted Franklin have moved to Signal Mt. Chattanooga,

Karen Young Brown teaches piano in the studio of her husband, Roy David Brown, Lyon and Healy Bldg. Chicago, Ill.

Louise Young has recently returned to the University of North Carolina where she will remain for six months completing the resident requirement for her Ph.D. She is majoring in rural sociology.

Last fall Florence Teague took training in library work in Greenville, S.C. but gave it up when she came to stay with relatives during the Christmas season. She is now in New York City acting as secretary to Hugh H. McGill who is the secretary of the recently organized Foundation of religious education. Her address is 805 Pershing Square bldg. 100 E. 42d st.

Ada Raines was on the program of the State teachers meeting in Nashville, Mar. 28-30.

Mr and Mrs E. R. Burr have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ruth, to G. A. Puryear.

Born to Mr and Mrs J. H. E. Clark (Ella Mai Wilson) 5517 Everett av. Chicago, Ill. Dec. 29, 1928, a daughter, Noel Demuth.

Born to Mr and Mrs Robert Kitchen (Edith Hayes) a daughter.

Born to Mr and Mrs R. G. Duner (Elizabeth Sharpe) a daughter, Elizabeth.

Born to Mr and Mrs Carl Simpson (Patti Harwell) a daughter, Joan Harwell.

Born to Mr and Mrs Campbell McLean (Marion Jones) a son, Howard Jones.

Born to Mr and Mrs Clark Statler (Lucinda Trabue) a son. Born to Mr and Mrs John Sugg (Marion Matthews) a son, John, Jr.

Alpha Theta-University of Texas

Alpha Theta announces the initiation of Alice Adams, Norma Paylor, Dorothy Nell Wisian, Mary Jo Young, Eloise Robertson, Mary Steger, Marjorie Wright, Melba Johnson, Margaret Smullin, Virginia Griffin, Jane McCullough, Ella Jane Wurzbach, Helen Engelking, and Alice Lee Perkins.

At the beginning of second semester Russel Flowers, Lockhart, and Mae Fields, Henrietta, were pledged.

Thea Goldschmidt represented the chapter at the installation of Beta Sigma, at Southern Methodist university.

On account of the death of the president of the freshman class, Mary Steger has succeeded to that office.

Mary Jo Young and Eula Lee McKnight were elected to Curtain club, dramatic society. Bess Olson took an important part in *The Mollusc*, presented by this club. Mary Steger and Mary Joe Young were elected to Ashbel, oldest literary society on campus. Mary Steger had a solo part in the musical comedy, *Sunshine*, presented by the Lions club of Austin.

Sally Moore entertained the pledges with an afternoon bridge, with a St Patrick's day motif in decorations and favors. Laura Eleanor Marks gave a lovely luncheon for the pledges earlier in the year.

Mary Stone, Katherine Lipscomb, Emily Loving Wilson, Marjorie Louis Simmons, Daisy Petty, and Zula Blanks have withdrawn from college this semester.

Hilda Wofford was chosen Duchess of the university for the Fiesta de San Jacinto in San Antonio, April 21.

25 March 1929 Ella Jane Wurzbach

Married: Frances Coopwood and William Morgan, M.D. at Lockhart. New address: Undine Charlton (Mrs M.) 236 Furr dr. San Antonio, Tex.

Mary Gibbs has left Denver, Colo. to take a position with the Family welfare society of Stamford, Conn.

Mrs Winters H. Martin (Sarah Gallagher) lives at Boonville, Mo. Married: Kathrine Thornton and Jesse Frank Holt.

Alpha Iota-Washington University

Mary Jane Roach is president of Alpha Zeta Pi, romance language society. Mary Jane is newly elected vice-president of Thyrsus, dramatic organization, of which Mary Virginia Harris is librarian. Mary Virginia has a rôle in the annual Thyrsus production, Franz Molnar's Liliom, in which Mary Jane Roach has the female lead. The assistant director of this play is Evelyn Koch. Anne Becker is the reelected treasurer of the dramatic society, Zeta Phi Eta, and is president of Tanea, literary organization. Helen Hughes is secretary and treasurer of Panhellenic, holding the same position in Peppers too. Isabel Laws is a newly elected member of Women's self government association. Ruth Hafner is captain of junior basketball team, swimming manager, and member of the Women's athletic association and Varsity basketball squad.

Theta was successful in Intramural basketball, defeating Tri Delta in the semi-finals, and the Independent team in the

finals.

Eleven of our fourteen pledges were initiated February 23. At the Founders'-day banquet following initiation, Marjorie Milne was awarded the freshman scholarship badge given by the alumnæ chapter. Betty Harvey's average was only one-fifth of a point lower than Marjorie's, so she was given a badge by the college chapter. The new initiates are Ruth Frampton, Mary Virginia Harris, Betty Harvey, Elinor Hencken, Cornelia Jones, Jane Koken, Marie Elise Lungstras, Marian Mardorf, Marjorie Milne, Meredith Reed, and Susan Rosskopf. Betty Kerr, Omicron, and Genevieve Hale, Alpha Xi, have been affiliated.

29 March 1929

Betty Harvey

Married: Jan. 4, Ruth Brigham and Gene Creech Hutchinson. They will live in Lakewood, Ohio.—Ruth Boulden and Frederick Wright. Address: 15 W. 51st st. New York, N.Y.

Alpha Kappa—Adelphi college

No letter received.

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Alpha Lambda—University of Washington

Alpha Lambda has two new pledges Dorothy Frost and Avanel Tweeden.

The campus was delighted with the annual dance drama, *Tristan and Iseult*, this spring. We are particularly proud of the part Theta took in it. Ruth Andersen played a lovely

Iseult. Virginia Barnett was the queen. De Lora Lee Laube and Mary Stuart Ferry, pledge, appeared in group dances.

We omitted our usual winter formal because of the necessity of economizing, but will have a spring formal in April.

Panhellenic has encouraged a program of exchange guest dinners to secure greater friendliness between women's fraternities. We recently entertained the member of Mortar board for dinner.

Our scholarship has not been all that we could wish but stringent measures are being taken to bring it up.

We deeply appreciate the thoughtfulness of our Mother's

club in giving us a dozen much needed card tables.

Our basketball team, in an intramural contest, was defeated for first place by Pi Sigma Gamma, after making a perfect record in its division.

Margaret Johnson, Virginia Barnett, and Ruth Andersen have been selected for the annual Junior girl's vaudeville.

26 March 1929

Dorothy Evans

Mrs Lee Ketchum (Henrietta Osterman) is located at 3210 Grand av. Everett, Wash.

Mrs H. B. Jones (Beulah Smith) has returned from a six weeks' trip in California.

Eleanor Caldwell is working in Honolulu.

Mrs Harry Patrick (Molly Gunnell) has moved to Yakima, Wash. Katherine Smith is teaching at the university and working for her master's.

Married: Jan. 5, Dorothy McIntire and Mr Israel, ∑ N.

Alpha Mu-University of Missouri

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Alpha Nu-University of Montana

Ruth Nickey, was re-elected president of the Women's athletic association, Nell Grant was elected vice-president, and Helen Bruneau representative to A.W.S. Jessie Cambron was one of three students selected to choose books that will be placed on open shelf in the library. Open shelf was started last quarter for the purpose of supplying students with more recent literature. Gertrude White won the Sigma Delta Chi scholarship for 1929. The award is made to a student in the highest ten per cent of the journalism graduating class in universities that have a definitely organized department of journalism, and is based on general scholarship inside and outside the journalism department.

Varsity Vodvil was good. Phi Delta Theta won the prize for boys with a clever act, Subnormal school. First place for girls was divided between the non-fraternity girls who presented Cro-Magnon, and Alpha Chi Omega who gave Indian Romance. Theta received after-the-show compliments and consolations. It was great fun anyway.

Alpha Nu girls shown in athletics last quarter. Ruth Nickey made the all-star swimming team; Nell Grant, Ruth Nickey and Helen Bruneau made the junior basketball team; Nell Grant and Helen Bruneau made the all-star basketball team; Olive Nash made the sophomore basketball team; Jerry Parker made the freshman swimming and basketball teams; Pauline Kiel made the freshman swimming team.

27 March 1929

Helen Bruneau

Born: a son, to Mr and Mrs Burt Smith (Lois Spencer).

Alpha Xi-University of Oregon

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Alpha Omicron-University of Oklahoma

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Alpha Pi-University of North Dakota

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Alpha Rho-University of South Dakota

Construction of Alpha Rho's chapter house is now well under way and the red brick Georgian colonial structure will be ready for occupation next fall. The house, three stories high, will

accommodate thirty girls.

Eleven girls were initiated March 17: Ruth Payne (sister) and Helen Chaussee, Vermilion; Dorothy Clark (sister) Mobridge; Jeanette Harris and Frances Diver, Sioux Falls; Beth Burkholder, Belle Fourche; Olive White, Huron; Loreen Nickolson, Redfield; Elizabeth Babb, Wakonda; Esther Helvig, Sisseton; Florence Paulson, Dell Rapids.

Arrayed in the red and white uniform of Honorary Colonel, Edna Lass led the grand march at the military ball on the arm of the cadet Colonel of R.O.T.C. The 100-pound Colonel was the third member of Alpha Rho to receive the honor during

the seven years since its origin.

Ruth Payne has been elected vice-president of Women's athletic association, though only a freshman. She is also a member of Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, as is Betty Frary.

Dorothy Clark is vice-president of Alethian, oldest literary society on campus, of which Dorothy Whittemore is treasurer. Jeanette Harris is treasurer of Athena, literary society.

Virginia Redfield has been chosen a member of the cast for the Commencement play, to be produced by Mask and Wig

dramatic club.

9 April 1929

Ruth Payne

Elinor Payne is attending the Berlitze school of grammar in Chicago. (When applying for entrance to the school the head of the school asked Elinor for references. However, when he saw her kite he said, "A girl with a Theta pin needs no other recommendation.")

Dorothy Thompson has returned from the South and is working in

the First National bank of Vermilion.

Anna Dell Morgan attended Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Norma Damuth recently returned to her home in Redfield, S.D. after a month's visit in Washington, D.C.

Married: Ruth Bonsely and W. E. Barker of Chicago.

Alpha Sigma-Washington State College

For the fifth consecutive semester Alpha Sigma placed first in scholarship among the women's national fraternities. On the semester honor roll were Gertrude Austin, Violet Bixler, Betty Campbell, Maxine Damrell, Lorna Lee Goff, Dorothy Hegnauer, Helen Hegnauer, Grace McIntosh, Louise Markwood, Dorothy Murphy Robinson, June Tiffany, and Margaret Troy.

Initiation was March 10, for Muriel Gleason, Lora Filippini, Louise and Helen Hegnauer, Gertrude Austin, Betty Campbell, Maxine Damrell, Louise Markwood, Helen Howard, Grace Mc-Intosh, Mary Hubbard, Jane Hicks, Anna Jean Pember, Dorothy

Prior, Marguerite Sherfy and Maurine Storaasli.

Because of their activities, nine upperclass Thetas, June Tiffany, Marybelle Weatherford, Violet Bixler, Dorothy Murphy, Dorothy Robinson, Kay Fulton, Hermine Duthie, Margaret Wells, Dorothy Hegnauer and our housemother, Mrs Serena F. Mathews were honored with invitations to Matrix table, the formal banquet sponsored by Theta Sigma Phi. Dorothy Hegnauer is a pledge of Theta Sigma Phi.

At the present time interest centers in the spring elections. Dorothy Murphy was elected president of Y.W.C.A. and Helen Swartz, president of the Ellen H. Richards club, home economics organization. Dorothy Hegnauer was elected national president of Spurs, service society for sophomore women. Gertrude Austin, Marybelle Weatherford, and Marguerite Sherfy are members of Glee club. Gertrude made the state-wide trip with the mixed Glee club and is also a member of the women's trio. Vio-

let Bixler is a new member of Pi Gamma Mu, national social science club: she also won a place on the honor basketball team. Gertrude Austin and Dorothy Hegnauer are pledges of Eurodelphian, literary society. Dorothy Prior is on the staff of Cougars' paw, humor magazine, and that of Chinook, yearbook. Betty Mortland is also on Chinook staff. Margaret Troy and Betty Mortland are on the registration committee for the high school vocational conference in May. Constance Markuson, pledge, is chairman and Dorothy Robinson a member of the banquet committee for the conference. Constance is also a member of the junior prom committee. On the Y.W.C.A. Cabinet are Kay Fulton, Dorothy Murphy and Margaret Wells. Mary Hubbard is a member of the freshman council for freshman commission of Y.W.C.A.

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Dorothy Hegnauer

Alpha Tau-University of Cincinnati

February 23, Alpha Tau initiated Elsa Bachman, Rosalie Ballantyne, Mary Beresford, Marjorie Bowen (sister of Virginia), Morton Brown (sister of Nancy), Dorothy Hoffman, Marjorie Jones, Dorothy Runck and Rose Adaline Temple. The scholarship ring, awarded annually to the initiate having the highest scholarship, was presented to Elsa Bachman.

The winter formal, managed by the seniors, was February 25 at the Hyde Park country club. It was a snow-dance, the decorations being in white and silver. After supper a snow-ball fight was enjoyed by every one.

Catherine Bayless, Marjorie Japp, Mary Beresford and Morton Brown are participating in the Greek games, the climax of the annual contest between women of the freshman and sophomore classes. Morton Brown also has a leading part in a play to be given by the Paleolinguist society, classical club.

March 30, Alpha Tau will give a party for the Cincinnati Theta Mothers' club at the home of Ruth Carrothers.

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Frances Howe

Engagement: Martha Laing to Albert Harmon, B Θ II. Born to Mr and Mrs Clippinger (Jane Becker) a daughter.

Emily Dalbey has moved from Elgin, Ill., to 7524 N. Damen st. Chicago, Ill.

The new address of Eugenia Schmidt Smith (Mrs H. Hillman) is 3440 Morrison pl. Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Alpha Upsilon-Washburn College

Winifred Kirkpatrick, Helen Henry, Sally Lou Gossett, Sarah Ewart, Adair McFarlane, Katherine Reed, Harriet Perry, Charlotte Mullinex, Maxine Middleton, Miriam DuMars (sister of Martha), Bonnie Woodward, Eleanor Scchriver, all of Topeka; and Gloria Johnson, Hollywood, California, Opal Fannan, McPherson, Emily Joe Valette, Glen Elder, were initiated. Charlene Charles, El Paso, Texas, and Doris Kistler, Topeka, are new pledges.

This spring Alpha Upsilon loaned its house for Y.W.C.A. Cabinet week-end retreat. Our house girls went to the homes of town girls those two days. With the election of Eloise Wolcott as vice-president of Y.W.C.A. Alpha Upsilon now has three members on Cabinet: Mildred Lee, Elizabeth Newby, and Eloise Wolcott.

Lenore Poole, pledge, was elected president of women's dormitory.

Harriet Perry had the highest grades among pledges, 14 hours of A. Her name will be engraved upon the chapter's silver scholarship cup. Susan Snyder received 18 hours of A, making her highest in scholarship in the chapter. Martha DuMars recently was elected to social science club, Pi Gamma Mu. Mary Green, Lisette Frick, Juantia Hobbs, Esther Mullin, Louise Page, Susan Snyder, Madeline Stewart, Alice Van Petten, Virginia Welty, Rebecca Francis, Helen Hobbs, Marjorie Nelson, Miriam Thoroman, and Dorothy Tolle, have been elected to scholastic societies.

We have bought new curtains and new rugs for the chapter room and its appearance is improved greatly. Pledges gave the house a new rug for the lower hall, which is a prized possession.

Frances Hughes, out of college last term on account of a broken leg, is back.

Sigma Alpha Iota is sponsoring an interfraternity singing contest in April. Alpha Upsilon won the silver cup last year and has high hopes of getting it again this spring.

Spring Formal will be April 26, and under new Panhellenic rule, there will be no favors.

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Rhoda Melinda Lewis

Married: Mary Nieswanger and Forest Ihinger, Feb. 25. Home, Decatur, Ill.

Born: to Mr and Mrs Gerald Courtney (Margaret Conners) a son, Thomas Edward, Jan. 21.—to Mr and Mrs Richard Wahle (Bernice Hemus) a daughter, Sue, Feb. 5.—to Mr and Mrs Richard White (Alberta Thoroman) a daughter, Sarah Catherine, Mar. 13.—to Mr and Mrs James Noble (Ruth Downey) a daughter, Laura, Mar. 23. Jeanne Knowles will give her debut piano recital, Mar. 28, in the Fine arts building, Chicago. In June she will receive her master's degree in composition and piano from the American conservatory, Chicago, where she has studied under Allen Spence and Adolph Weidig.

Geraldine Scott has been singing over the radio from KMA, Shenan-

doah, Iowa. She is now a staff-soloist at WIBW, Topeka.

The engagement of Euna Hobbs to Norman Jordan, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, has been announced. The marriage will take place this spring.

Mr and Mrs John Clifton (Genevive McMillan) have moved to 414

Whitney av. Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Born to Mr and Mrs Karl King (Margaret Kelsey) a daughter,

Ruth Early will be married to Gale Winthrope Apr. 6. They will live in Wichita, Kan.

Alpha Phi-Newcomb College

Every year Newcomb has its own carnival ball with a queen and a court and call-outs—just like a real Mardi Gras ball. This year Mary Treadaway was a maid in the court and Jessa-

mine Daggett, the Jester.

One hundred and fifty-odd Australians came to New Orleans on a tour they were making of the United States. Mary Treadaway, Rena Wilson, Helen Gladney, Mary Jo Evans, Jessamine Daggett, Kathryn Lindner, Adolyn McClatchey, and Frances Clark were invited to help entertain at a dinner dance given for them.

Monday before Mardi Gras day there was an automobile parade by the New Orleans automobile dealers in which Jessa-

mine Daggett drove a Marmon.

In the cast for the senior play both Sara Mastin and Jessamine Daggett have speaking parts. Lois Ellsworth, Rena Wilson, and Helen Gladney have non-speaking parts.

Alpha Phi has undertaken some social work, entertaining children in the Milliken Memorial home of the Charity hospital

twice a week.

Thetas did their part in Gym night, being both in the stunts in which each class competed and in the pyramids—the feature of Gym night.

We are proud of Rena Wilson; one of six students elected

to Phi Beta Kappa.

We enjoyed very much the official visit Mrs Banta paid us early in March.

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Jessamine Daggett

Born Mar. 9, to Dr and Mrs M. L. Bland (Clifford Kitchen) a daughter, Jane Dudley.—to Mr and Mrs Wm. Shively (Mary Warriner) a daughter, Karen, Mar. 9.

Married: Frances Shaw and Eric Lansburg, Feb. 23.

Mrs Gilbert Wingate (Velna Moody) is visiting in New Orleans.

Mr and Mrs Malcolm Tuttle (Aurilla Bringham) have moved to New York.

Alpha Chi-Purdue University

Alpha Chi was happy to initiate April 1 Veronica Jordan, Katharine Kellogg, West Lafayette; Bettina Ireland, Lydia Marks, Eleanor McCoy, Katharine Gruenewald, Lafayette; Mary Beckman (sister to Ada Hermine), Cedar Lake; Elizabeth Thompson, Martha Miller, Newcastle; Patsy Shepperd, Lebanon; Eleanor McClintock, Salem; Jane Jones, Indianapolis; Georgia Dorner (sister to Eunice), Frankfort; and Margaret Fitts, Newton, Massachusetts. Guests from other chapters were Delight Baxter and Barbara Bergen, Alpha; Marie Elizabeth Hill and Ruth Robertson, Gamma.

May 1 is the night of our dinner dance for rushees, when we expect to entertain thirty girls for the week-end.

In the spring baseball is the favorite sport. Alpha Chi is practicing daily in the back yard because if she wins the championship, the cup for athletics will be hers to keep.

The most elaborate dramatic production of the year, the Harlequin show, finds eight Thetas in the chorus. Harlequin is given in connection with junior prom and is a big week-end for every one.

Woman's Panhellenic had its annual formal dance March 15. Alice Moran was on the committee for the dance. Barbara Fisher has been chosen chairman of the annual Sweater hop given by Woman's athletic association.

Rushing will be September 5 to 11.

2 April 1929

Barbara Fisher

Alpha Psi-Lawrence College

Initiation was February 2 for Jeannette Jenkyns, Avis Kennicott, Julia Ladwig, Anne Mailer, Emily Meserole, Lucille Ozanne, Muriel Renner, Ruth Smith, and Ellen White. The initiation banquet was held at the Hotel Northern.

Among recent informal functions have been several dinners, bridge parties, and showers.

Dramatics holds the greatest interest of our girls. Eleanor Lea has just completed a successful characterization of the leading lady in Sunset Players' production of the costume play, *Richelieu*. Lucille Ozanne, Muriel Renner, Julia Ladwig, and Ruth Ann Linn had minor parts.

The one dark spot of the year is that Margaret Holmes

unfortunately has been forced to leave college because of illness.

28 March 1929 Helen B. Rudin

Alpha Omega-University of Pittsburgh

After a concentrated rushing season, February 20 to 23, we pledged Geraldine Brown, Elaine Foraker, Helen Heick, Margaret Hall, Janice Johnston, Llda Jones, Rebecca McGara, Winifred McKnight, Catherine Russell, Christine Ruoff (sister of Hermine) and Helen Singleton. Margaret Hall has been elected national president of Cwens, sophomore society, and is also president of the women of '31 and the Pittsburgh chapter of Cwens. Christine Ruoff is president of the women of '32. Elaine Foraker and Janice Johnston are members of Pitt Weekly staff. Rebecca McGara is a soloist on Women's glee club.

Members are active also. Hermine Ruoff is national chairman of finance for Cwens, is chairman of freshman custom's committee, and W.A.A. board tennis manager. Virginia Miller is manager of sophomore archery. Helen Miller and Hermine Ruoff are members of Cathedral committee. Emily Irwin is a member of Owl staff. Frances Ambursen is business manager of Women's glee club. Duella Stranahan played a leading rôle in Pitt players production of $The\ cradle\ song$.

Patrica Wood and Betty Berghane graduated in February. We gave a bridge party for chapter alumnæ March 6 to show our appreciation for the wonderful help they gave us during rushing season. In return they gave a party for us March 16. Our annual spring formal in honor of pledges was March 15 at the Wildwood country club. We are to give a baby shower for Amber McCoy Shaw's baby daughter April 3.

31 March 1929 Jane Heckman

Engagements: Alene Guerney to Robert Trego.—Betty B. McDougall to Norman Schlegel.

Births: to Mr and Mrs Harold Brinks (Peg Grier) a daughter, Barbara Marcia, in Feb.—to Mr and Mrs James Shaw (Amber McCoy) a daughter, Mary Amber, in Feb.

Viola S. Welsh is now Mrs B. C. Leaky, 256 Ridge av. New Kensing-

ton, Pa.

Jean McKenna received her master's degree at Columbia university in June, 1928.

Beta Beta-Randolph-Macon Woman's College

February 16, Beta Beta had reason to be proud. One of her members, Barbara Stratton, wrote the play given by the sophomore class that night. The play, *Marilee*, was a musical play of the 15th century. Its hero was a Theta pledge, Elizabeth Gough. Lucile Ison, another pledge, also took part. Since this event Barbara has been taken into Quill drivers, literary club.

We have two representatives in May Court: Reta Brewster, Maid-of-honor, and Norma Schutz, attendant.

March 9, we pledged Elizabeth Gough, Dorothy Thomas, Elizabeth Miles, Elizabeth Popkin, Mary Hall, Sophie Walton, Betsy Hennegin, Sarah Early, Anne Meek, Everett Harris, Norma Schutz, Miriam Nicholas and Bruce Gayle. We had pledged Lucile Ison on March 1.

Minnie Parker, Louise Smith, Maude Weiss, Mrs Margaret Hollowell Ingram, and Elizabeth Sexton and Elizabeth Duke of Beta Lambda, and Virginia Colville of Alpha Phi were guests during pledging.

Each girl, in her "best bib and tucker," went to the Country club, March 11, to the pledge banquet. The table was beautifully decorated in a black and gold color scheme. Much fun was had in the reading of individual song titles found written by the side of a most fascinating show girl painted on the menu. The toast scheme was carried out in popular song titles also. Favors of door knockers were given the pledges. After the banquet, the pledges entertained with suggested stunts and an original one act play, The massacre.

Mrs Taber gave us an informal tea at her home and, as always, we had a lovely time.

Lucile Ison was initiated, March 21.

26 March 1929

May Tuttle

Beta Gamma—Colorado Agricultural College

February 17 Beta Gamma initiated Anna Lory, Harriet Neighbors, Shirley Newsom (sister of Fern), Elizabeth Poundstone (sister of Miriam), Fort Collins; Faye Abbott, Loveland; Ermina Fallas, Longmont; Naomi Ryan, Rocky Ford; Edna Maxey and Evelyn Gilmore, Denver. Isabel Cribbs, Florence, was pledged February 18.

In the intercollegiate oratorical contest at Greeley, Colorado, Roberta Sylvester placed first and Philippine Anderson third. Roberta and Philippine are, as a result, eligible to Pi Kappa Delta, forensic society.

Hazel Clark was initiated into Alpha Chi Alpha, journalism society, of which Agnes Eagle is treasurer, and Katherine Abbott president. Delta Omicron, musical organization, initiated Margaret McNeil.

The lead in the most recent Dramatic club play was taken by Hazel Clark. Hazel is a very versatile young lady taking first place in each of the three events she entered in the annual interclass swimming meet. The junior-senior volleyball team, Elizabeth Poundstone captain, won the interclass tournament.

Each year the college annual, Silver spruce, honors four senior women as Pacemakers. They are chosen on the basis of leadership, personality, and scholarship. Katherine Abbott was

so honored this year.

Kappa Alpha Theta lead all fraternities with a 1.56 scholar-

ship average for the semester.

February 8 and 9 we were happy to have as our honored guest, Mrs H. S. Moore, our Grand president. Her helpful suggestions were of great value.

26 March 1929

Elizabeth Poundstone

Beta Delta-University of Arizona

Sixty Thetas attended Founders'-day buffet supper. A special feature of the program was a costumed original playlet, *Three generations of Thetas*, presented by pledges.

Beta Delta announces the pledging of Jane Wilson, Los Angeles, California. Madge Barkley, Phoenix, who withdrew from

college last year, has returned and been re-pledged.

The annual pledge dance was February 22.

Initiation was March 10 for Helen Agee, Silver City, New Mexico; Olga Butler, Mesa; Gladys Cameron, and Gladys Edwards (sister of Violet), Yuma; Ann McElhinney (sister of Evelyn, Psi), Waterloo, Iowa; Virginia Roberts, Tucson; Jean Williams, Glendale, California; and Lyla Wilson, San Diego, California. A badge was given to Olga Butler, as the best allaround pledge.

For the first time in several years Theta placed fifth, instead of second, in scholarship. A twofold plan, budgeting each girl's study hours and tutoring, has been adopted in an effort to re-

gain Theta's former standing.

Uldeen Ewing and Betty Boulton are pledged to F.S.T., junior women's organization. Betty Fennemore is president of Pi Epsilon Delta, national collegiate players, whose campus membership is limited to seven. Shirley Thompson is also a member. Elizabeth Abbott, Jane Wilson, Laila Phelps, Updeen Ewing, Isabell Urban, Dorothea Plath, Jean Williams, and Jane Richardson are representing us in senior follies.

Born to Mr and Mrs Harry Talmadge (Ruth Pickles) a daughter. Susan Sweenay is now Mrs Harold K. Stark of Dos Cabezas, Ariz.

Beta Epsilon-Oregon State college

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Beta Zeta-Oklahoma State College

Beta Zeta initiation March 16 was lovely and most impressive, beautified by the adding of Pauline Pruitt's name to the chapter roll, making each of us realize that even death can not entirely take from us one whom Theta love enfolds. The initiates were Carmelita Green (sister of Dorothy) Kiowa, Kansas; La Joy Van Noy, Tishomingo; Margaret Katz, Stillwater; Wayne Stanley, Hugo; Polly Hunt (sister of Alice) Okemah; Jettie Steckelberg, Henryetta; and Wanda Jasper, Waurika. Following initiation thirty-five Thetas gathered for the banquet at Wayside inn.

Among those back for initiation were Betty Haas Heilegman, Jo Hodges Jackson, Alma Brooks Weaver, Anna Faye Dowling, Rosalyn Fox, Lelan Clow, Doris Hertzler, and Eleanor Ireland, Gamma deuteron.

Dorothy Green, Margaret Baldwin, Ardyth Gragg, Virginia Bailey, Genevieve Braley, Billie Bradshaw, Doris Hertzler Ruth Lewis, and Lavena Boehn attended Beta Sigma installation at Dallas, Texas. They were all thrilled and inspired to watch the newest chapter come into Theta under the skillful leadership of Dallas alumnæ and national officers.

The pledges gave us a delightful surprise the night before initiation. Sigma Nu, our next door neighbor, had just entertained with a formal house dance and every one was busily chatting and donning pajamas when we were called downstairs by the pledges. A charming sight greeted us. Presiding over the oval dining-table were two pledges, serving coffee, while on the table were mounds of sandwiches and pickles. Then while we ate, we were serenaded by our neighbors.

Edith Clendenin has been elected to Omicron Nu.

1 April 1929

Genevieve Braley

Mary Russell, president of Home economics association of Oklahoma has been our guest for a few days.

Opal Skaer Reed is a graduate student here in home economics.

Born to Mr and Mrs \bar{J} . W. Worthington (Bernice Loomis) a daughter, Frances Enid.

Mrs J. C. Woodson (Eula Tice) of Mansfield, Ohio, spent the winter at Delray Beach, Fla.

Beta Eta-University of Pennsylvania

The scene is a railroad car; the *personæ dramatis* are a group of overly excited Beta Etas, laden with suitcases, slickers and sweaters; the time is four-twenty and the place is the Reading seashore terminal. A whistle screeches, the train jerks backward and then slowly pulls out of the station. The girls gasp, unable to believe it real. But it is real, and we are on our way to our usual Easter house-party at Stone Harbor, a week together among the sand dunes of southern New Jersey.

Last year's experiment of a second rushing season in February was repeated this year. At its close, March 20, Beta Eta pledged Martha Ann Griswold and Loveday Jane Radcliffe. Initiation was at the Redman home February 23, followed by a formal banquet at Wharburton house. The initiates were Dorothy Puder, Edith Cadwallader, Mary Mason Jones, Elizabeth Masterman, Eleanor Cuppitt, Grace Faaet, Margaret Huebner, Ruth Jordan, Dorothy Lever, Adele Quinto, and Evelyn Tidball.

Jeanne Emery is delegate to district convention at William and Mary.

The chapter is missing Dorothy Germon and Virginia Lynch, both forced to leave college because of ill health.

The scholarship ring was awarded to Elizabeth Masterman for the highest average among pledges.

Charlotte Flack and Emily Puder have been initiated into Sphinx and Key, junior society. Louise Ade has been bid by the educational society, Pi Lambda Theta. Emily Puder has become a member of Sigma Eta Phi, Latin society. Virginia Kinsman is a member of Mortar board and of Mu Phi Epsilon, mathematical society.

30 March 1929 Esther Monto

Esther Montgomery Hazlett

The engagement of Mary C. Kevin to Roland Beinning has been announced.

Elizabeth Casselberry is now Mrs Roy James, 260 Delaware rd. Kenmore, N.Y.

New address: Mrs Geo. S. Woodard (Mildred Eckels) Fort McPherson, Ga.

Beta Theta-University of Idaho

No letter received.

15 April 1929

Beta Iota—University of Colorado

Beta Iota was honored by a visit from the Grand president, Mrs Harry S. Moore, February 3 to 4. An informal buffet supper at the chapter house and a tea gave all an opportunity to meet our charming guest.

Genevieve Frame has a part in a Little theater play Lackeys of the moon, April 17 and 18. Dolores Plested has been elected to Theta Sigma Phi. Ada Giese will take the part of "Mary, mother of Jesus," in The dream of Mary, Easter morality play. Esther Anderson is pledged to Hesperia, national junior organization. Eleanor Temple has been elected president of Orphrestia, dancing organization.

March 16, a dinner was given at the chapter house in honor of Dean Brown, Dean of women.

We pledged Frances Roberts of Shreveport, Louisiana, April 2.

Elizabeth Trant and Elizabeth Collison of Denver will be initiated April 21.

[no date]

Esther Anderson

Engagements announced: Dorothy Ford to Drummond Aiken, Φ K Ψ ; —Marjorie Ford to Roland Holl, B Θ II;—Mary Louise Springsteen to Stevens Park Kinny, Σ Φ E;—Martha Springsteen Chappelle to Robert W. Frye.

Eva McNutt has a new position with the Chicago trust co. Chicago, Ill.

Helen Hurlburt is in the legal department of the Florida power and light co. of Miami, Fla.

Present address of Mrs W. M. Stockover (Lucille Phillips) is Eaton, Colo.

Beta Kappa—Drake University

February 4 Beta Kappa pledged Josephine Amos, Maxine Jones, Kathleen Shankland, all of Des Moines; and Elizabeth Lynott of Cedar Rapids. Kathleen Shankland also has been pledged to Sigma Alpha Iota.

Initiation for Mary Byrd Boulware, Wildamae Hutton, and Marjorie Scholl, was at the chapter house March 10. Afterwards, a supper was served at the home of Martha Peairs.

The annual Drake Women's musical comedy, Anne's Touchdown, will be staged April 5. Martha Peairs is chairman of the Board, and Thetas in the comedy are Bernice Heaton, Maxine Jones, Elizabeth Lynott, Mary Read, Helen McKim, Evelyn Shivers, Eudora Countryman, Helen Maynard, Annette Kenyon, Elizabeth Brinkman, Mary Piper, Josephine Amos, Margaret Gibson, Marion Boelter, Mary Byrd Boulware, Wildamae Hutton, Helen Ellis, and Gladys Wilson.

March 9, an informal dance was given in honor of new pledges. Our formal dinner dance will be at the Hotel Fort Des Moines April 20. May 5, a tea honoring our Mothers will be given at the chapter house.

Annetta Kenyon recently was elected to Kappa Delta Pi.
5 April 1929 Ruth Cheeseman

Mr and Mrs William Goodell (Gladys Hadley) have moved to Louisville, Ky.

Born to Mr and Mrs Jerry Harkins (Maurine Bredimus) a son. Marion Green is with the Dickinson secretarial school in Cedar Rapids. Mildred Hutton was present for her sister Wildamae's initiation. Born: to Mr and Mrs H. Eugene Evans (Margaret Brown) Mary Lee,

Jan. 2. Address: Harrison Manor, Harrison av. Davenport, Iowa.

New addresse: Frances Sears Willis (Mrs Donald) 644-46th st. Des

New addresses: Frances Sears Willis (Mrs Donald) 644-46th st. Des Moines.—Mrs D. H. Shaw, 603 W. Linn st. Marshalltown, Iowa.

Married, Apr. 30, Josephine Jenney and Wade English. Address: 828

New address: Hortense Bernhard: Apt. 208, Cecil Plaza hotel, Chicago, Ill.

Beta Lambda-William and Mary College

We are busy getting ready for District convention. District XI has accepted an invitation to join with District VII in this convention.

Jess DeBordenave, freshman, was elected secretary of Y.W. C.A. Virginia Turman was elected to Judicial council for next year and to Mortar board. Ellen Ticer was elected second vice-president of Women's student government association.

In the weekly student newspaper, The flat hat, appeared the Dean of women's printed list of honor women students for last semester. On it were eight Thetas, Mamie Adams, Florence Bainbridge, Virginia Turman, Phylis Logan, Elizabeth Sexton, Virginia Cloptan, Margeret Corey, and Lois Wilson.

Ruth James, Dorothy Farrar, and Helen Peterson, all alumnæ, were welcome visitors over a week-end.

27 March 1929 Ellen Ticer

Fairfax Griffeth of Emmerton, Va. was married to Frederick Baar of Minneapolis, Minn. Feb. 15. The honeymoon was spent at Helene hotel, Miami, Fla.

Mrs W. R. James (Bettie Perkins Woodward) lives at Mobjack, Va.

Beta Mu-University of Nevada

Beta Mu was happy to postpone its initiation and Founders'-day banquet to January 30 when it could have the unusual honor of the presence of the Grand president, Mrs Moore. Margaret Hill led the Apostrophe and Euphemia Clark acted as

toastmistress. Helen Steinmiller, initiate, and Mrs. Leona Bergman Fowler, alumna, furnished musical entertainment. Mrs Moore spoke informally after dinner of recent discussions and decisions of Grand council.

A delightful tea was given by Mrs Clark at their home, the President's house, where the officers of different organizations had the privilege of meeting Mrs Moore.

Peggy Johnson and Genevieve Leonard were in charge of a house dance this month.

Second semester pledging has been adopted at college, so we are not rushing this term. However, March 8 we had a tea for all the new women on campus. Verna Butler, chairman, had the house looking lovely in spring flowers, the green and white decorations honoring St Patrick's day. Kathleen Malloy, Jean Zuick and Genevieve Leonard entertained the guests.

Donna Anderson, accompanied by her sister Idel, played at Y.W.C.A. music hour in Manzinita hall. Josephine Bernard and Jean Zuick are on the Frosh glee committee. Idel Anderson is on the senior ball committee. Margaret Fuller and Idel Anderson are on Women's rifle varsity. Euphemia Clark has been elected to Delta Alpha Epsilon, English society; Genevieve Leonard to Masque and dagger, dramatic society.

21 March 1929

Marion Nichols

Beta Nu-Florida State College for Women

The first, the middle, and the last of March brought a great deal of happiness to Beta Nu. Six pledges were initiated March 1: Peggy Jones, Addie Kate Martin, Josefine Hoffman, Jane Anderson, Ruth Williford, and Sara Parrish. After initiation a lovely buffet supper was served at the house.

The next important event was the tapping of Freshman commission and Y.W.C.A. Cabinet. Addie Kate Martin was tapped for the first, and Peggy Jones for the latter. Not content with these two privileges in one week, these same two freshmen both made Varsity hockey team, as did Annie Mary Moore, a senior.

Student elections were March 17-22. Helen Goodyear, chapter president and district convention delegate, was elected chairman of judiciary, Betty Kellerman business manager of *Flambeau*, and Peggy Jones secretary of College government association.

May Day festival will have eight Thetas taking part: Ruth Miller, Vernice Davis, Rosalind Hadley, Blanche Cornell, Theresa Huffaker, Virginia Williams, Annie Mary Moore, Ernestine Gore, and Josephine Boydston. Ernestine is in charge of all the dancing.

We are proud that Lylah Murray Scarborough received a

bid to Phi Kappa Phi.

March in Florida is really spring. The house, in its lovely setting of wisteria vines and camellias, with its borders of pansies and violets, and its rose garden and magnolia trees, is truly a beautiful home, and Beta Nu wishes all Thetas that come this way would stop to enjoy its southern beauty.

31 March 1929 Adele Frain

Engagement announced: Velma Ruth Powers to John McGuire of Miami, Fla.

Married: Letita Elizabeth Lindsay and Frederick P. Whittaker, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. Mrs D. F. McDowell (Inez Turner) now lives at 2363 Myra st. Jacksonville, Fla.

. Beta Xi-University of California at Los Angeles

February 18 Beta Xi pledged Frances Davis and Josephine Thomas.

Our annual house party was at Catalina Island, February 22 to 24.

On March 24 Eleanor Black, Betty Heustis, Alice Kelly, Eleanor Knecht, Antoinette Seip, and Hazel Sewell, were initiated. Afterwards, a banquet at the Women's athletic club was given in their honor. Alice Kelly was presented with the Theta badge, which Los Angeles alumnæ annually gives to the initiate making the highest scholarship average.

Now we are in the midst of selling tickets for a benefit theater party April 9 to raise money for our lot at Westwood.

Oakalla Bellis and Valencia Renard have been elected to Chi Delta Phi, national literary society, and Betty Heineman to Pi Delta Phi, national French society. Delta Phi Delta, national art society, has been installed on campus. Among charter members are Juana Burgher, president, Jerry Schmid, vice-president, Elizabeth Cunningham, treasurer, and Mary Baskerville. Sally Sedgwick is president of sophomore Service society, just granted a charter by the national society, Spurs. Alice Turner is playing the part of Sorel in the spring comedy, Hay fever.

Because the university is moving to its new campus at Westwood, we are faced with the problem of building a new chapter house.

25 March 1929

Mary Heineman

Beta Omicron-University of Iowa

Beta Omicron's most important recent event is initiation March 23 of Virginia Marmaduke, Chicago; Josephine Howell, Martinsville, Indiana; Mary Hipple, Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Catherine Ball, Iowa City; Jeanette Puthoff and Deloris Robinson, Carroll; Martha Thompson, Bedford; Virginia Gamble, Oskaloosa; Margaret Thurber, Ames. Following initiation we had a formal banquet at the house. The theme of the toast program was Olympian ideals, with Mary Lingenfelter toastmistress. This was the first initiation held in our new home.

June Beers recently was elected president of Women's athletic association. Rachel Baughman and Grace and Zona Stevenson have been elected to University players.

During Courtesy week the pledges entertained the chapter with a stunt party. They gave a play, *The rejuvenation of grandmother*, written by Frieda Rankin.

Virginia Marmaduke recently was pledged to Hesperia literary society. Helen Rubyor and Virginia Marmaduke directed the Mecca show, presented by the engineering college during mecca week.

Beta Omicron is looking forward to its first formal dinner dance April 20 at the chapter house.

27 March 1929

D. Louise Weber

Married: Ruth Sailor to Dr Ralph Fenton of Iowa city.

Engaged: Myrtle VanPuersam to Peter Westra. Westra was named by several critics for the all-western conference football team.

Beta Pi-Michigan State College

Beta Pi has pledged Lucile Fisk and Alice Bender, daughter of Nellie Wilcox Bender, Pi.

March 2, Sororian Founders'-day, was celebrated with a luncheon at People's church, followed by a tea at the Theta house.

Margret Stephens is chairman of the favor committee for sophomore prom. On committees for the co-ed prom, the one manless party, are Margret Feige, Dorothy Foster, and Mary Jo Thomas.

Margret Feige, Jean Cadwalder, and Mary Hewitt went to Ann Arbor the week-end of March 9 in response to Eta's kind invitation to its initiation.

Martha Farley and Margret Stephens are members of the all college honorary swimming team. Helen Murdoch is on the

basketball team. Adele Foster and Josephine Rulison are members of the championship volleyball team.

Mrs Bernice Spedding Vandervort, Alpha, was a dinner guest February 29. She is the new rushing adviser of the alumnæ club.

22 March, 1929

Mary Josephine Thomas

Married: Edna Brown and Byran Braamse, Feb. 4;—Mildred Kyes and Clyde Exelby, June 27, 1928;—Emma Dorothy Leland and Marc Reid, in Sept. 1928;—Hazel Mundy Wayne and Lester Burke, July 14, 1928.

Born to Mr and Mrs Charles Washburne (Helen Hancorne) a daughter,

Joan Elizabeth, Sept. 19, 1928.

Helen Taylor is connected with the Michigan Federated utilities. Margaret Shadduck is cafeteria director at Walter French junior high school in Lansing, Mich.

Emma Hyde is teaching in Farmington, Mich.

Willena MacDonald is teaching home economics in Chassell, Mich. Margret Strong is Home service director with the Gas co. at Mount Clemens.

Fannie E. Beal is assistant Dean of women at the Michigan state normal college at Ypsilanti.

Olga Bird is County demonstration agent in Jackson co. Mich.

Frances Harvey, as a private secretary, is spending the winter in Calif.

Jessie Gibson Sargent is vice-president of Wilde conservatory, Lansing, Mich.

Margret Matthews is teaching in Northville, Mich.

Beta Rho-Duke University

Interest at Duke is now centered on May day celebration May 4. Two members of Beta Rho are to be attendants to the May Queen—Mildred Holton and Montee Moyle. Other Thetas participating in the pageant are Gladys Culberson, Mary Frances Rodwell, Alyse Smith, Peggy Lavinder, Eloise Lambert, Mary Brown, Norma Louise Craft, Elizabeth Rouse, Catherine Pittman and Marguerite Phipps.

In the recent spring elections, Elizabeth MacFadyen was honored by the office of Y.W.C.A. president. Elizabeth Rucker will serve on "Y" Cabinet next year as chairman of Social committee, planning all "Y" parties and entertainments. Norma Louise Craft is to have charge of Interracial commission next year.

Elizabeth MacFadyen was initiated into Eko-L, local scholastic fraternity for women.

Beta Rho sent as delegate to the joint convention of Districts XI and VII Elizabeth Rucker.

The chapter is planning to spend a week-end at Crows Nest,

a cabin for Duke girls. This cabin is ideally situated several miles from Durham, and is equipped for week-end trips of

groups.

"Becky" Kirkpatrick, who is teaching in Winston-Salem, made us a visit in March. She was much interested in a trip abroad which she is planning this summer with Aurelia Adams, Alpha.

29 March 1929

Elizabeth MacFadyen

ALUMNAE CHAPTER LETTERS

Boston Alumnæ

Boston alumnæ has continued the plan of alternating afternoon and evening meetings. Evening, or supper meetings have been particularly well attended. Twenty-five attended the February meeting at Mrs Melville Eastham's, the largest number

this year, except at Founders'-day.

This Founders'-day celebration was a luncheon at the Hotel Commander in Cambridge. Mrs Wilbur C. Abbott, a past Grand president, gave a most delightful talk on Looking backward: Theta in the gay nineties. Our enthusiastic and gifted member Mrs George T. Plowman chose for her subject Looking forward, and Mrs Genevieve Forbes Herrick emerged from the wee village in Vermont where she is buried at present, to tell us something of her experiences as a journalist, under the title of Headlines and deadlines.

A number of us attended the Panhellenic tea at the Woman's Republican club on March 16. It was a success with

about five hundred present.

We are to hold our annual May bridge for the benefit of the Scholarship fund at the charming new home of Mrs J. C. Clements in Newton Centre. We are also continuing the loan library started last year, where we exchange the newest books at twenty-five cents a month. This yields a small but steady revenue for the fund.

30 March 1929

Marie Boisen Bradley

Burlington Alumnæ

This has been a pleasant year for the thirty members of Burlington alumnæ. Our major interest is, as always, Lambda.

We work for and with the girls—having a sewing bee once in a while to make dish towels and sofa cushions for the house, getting lunches ready so the girls do not have to go supperless after the work of the progressive dinner given as the last rushing party, aiding and abetting in their scholarship endeavors, trying to fill in as older sisters should, and getting a great deal of enjoyment out of doing so.

We have continued our practice of having Sunday night suppers with the girls, dividing into groups for more informality and closer contacts, there being, by our plan, three suppers in full swing at different places at the same time. At the next supper the groups change so that the alumnæ group entertains a different college group each time.

Founders'-day was made enjoyable by the presence of Genevieve Forbes Herrick, who with her delightful talk brought us closer in touch with the big outside Theta world of which we see so little. Supper was served for fifty-two at the chapter house. We then had the opportunity of listening to Mrs Herrick and seeing several prospective rushing party stunts which sent every one into gales of laughter.

Our non-resident memberships continue and flourish. These members who cannot attend meetings receive each month a friendly informal letter from one of those who attended the meeting in person. We each take our turn at writing these letters.

This year we instituted an annual prize of a fraternity ring, presented in the fall, to the girl in Lambda who raised her scholarship the most the second half year over the first half. There was great interest in this prize which was won by Helen Taylor, sophomore.

To earn extra money we have had a rummage sale and a card party, both of which were most successful.

With the annual spring picnic and our Commencement June spread in the offing the year for Burlington alumnæ is drawing to a happy close.

Ruth H. Lane

Champaign-Urbana Alumnæ

Champaign-Urbana alumnæ began its activities in September with a rushing tea for the college chapter, where one hundred and eighty-five guests were present, of whom one hundred and fifteen were freshmen.

Our first regular meeting was October 13. Since then we

have had one meeting each month, preceded by a one o'clock luncheon.

Money for our various expenditures was made by a rummage sale in charge of Mrs A. D. Mulliken, by a white elephant sale, and by the sale of Christmas cards.

We held a Christmas party at the County home, with presents of playing cards, fruit, and candy to the men and women living there.

Our Christmas present to Delta was an electric clock.

We also made our customary contribution to the Scholarship fund.

Founders'-day was celebrated, in conjunction with Delta, by a six o'clock dinner at the chapter house. Mrs J. H. Finch, Mrs Albert Eisner, jr. and Mrs D. T. Hoskins spoke for the alumnæ, and Marjorie Wilson for the college chapter.

A. C. R.

Chicago Alumnæ

Chicago alumnæ, finding that many Thetas engaged in business and professional work in the city were unable to attend the regular monthly luncheons of the chapter on account of their duties, has organized another department especially for such Thetas. Dinners have been arranged for the second Thursday of each month at Allerton house. Following the meal some Theta Who's Who tells about her work, then comes a social game of bridge. Thetas everywhere may be proud of this representative group of women, who are occupying places of importance in a wide range of professional work.

The five alumnæ groups located in Chicago and vicinity have formed a federation, believing that through closer cooperation they can cover the field more effectively, stimulate interest in alumnæ meetings and achieve greater success in such projects as Founders'-day celebration and entertainment of convention delegates. All members of the fraternity are requested to send name and addresses of Thetas coming to Chicago for permanent or temporary residence to Mrs E. J. Glessner, 6810 Cornell avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The new comer will be promptly called upon and put in touch with the group to which she geographically belongs. The organizations comprising this alumnæ federation are, Chicago alumnæ, Evanston alumnæ, South Side Chicago alumnæ, Gary alumnæ and West Side alumnæ club.

Dallas Alumnæ

The entire chapter has worked untiringly, happily, and always with the spirit of "Yes! I'll be glad to do whatever you ask of me." With cooperation and coordination Dallas alumnærushed, pledged, and trained the members of the colonization group with the view of laying a firm foundation for Beta Sigma.

Personally speaking, we almost burst the buttons on our vests with pride, for when the year began we scarcely knew what colonization meant. We have benefited even more—as one Theta expressed it, "We have grown younger this year." So you can see why we are loathe to leave the young things lest we grow old.

Dallas alumnæ has been fortunate in having Kathryn Sneed Clark, Alpha Mu, as leader. Kathryn has been a resident of Dallas for nine years and has made her presence in Theta activities invaluable. If it had not been for her constructive policies, her efficiency, and loyalty, and her faith in Thetas Dallas alumnæ could not have accomplished the establishment of Beta Sigma at Southern Methodist university. Her welcoming home not far from the university campus has been the scene of innumerable meetings and it is with deepest regret that we bid her good bye. As soon as her affairs in Dallas can be settled she will move back to Kansas City. Margaret Lawther Warren, Alpha Theta, will succeed her as president.

Ruth Keig Rich

Denver Alumnæ

Denver alumnæ's monthly supper meetings have proved a great success. No attempt at formal programs has been made, the chief aims being a better acquaintance with Beta Gamma's and Beta Iota's problems, besides a closer fellowship among ourselves through informal sociability.

We are proud of Beta Gamma's splendid scholarship record, highest not only among the women's fraternities but among men's and women's combined. We are also glad to report that Roberta Sylvester, Beta Gamma, won the second annual intramural oratorial contest at Colorado agricultural college from a group of eight contestants in which both men and women were represented.

Our first fall meeting was a farewell tea at the home of Mrs Gilbert, whom we have greatly missed since she moved to Winona, Minnesota.

The outstanding event of the year was Founders'-day banquet February 2, with over one hundred present. We feel that ours must have been the very best in the country because we had with us Mrs Moore, Grand president, Mrs Weaver, president of District VIII, and also our own Nellie Pool, deputy president of District V, and Virginia Thorp, Colorado state chairman. Artistically decorated menu cards, delicious food, and a very clever program representing college and alumnæ chapters, all planned and carried out faultlessly by Inez Montgomery and her committee, combined to make it a memorable occasion. The only saddening feature of the evening was the absence of our beloved member, Kitty Payne Scott, who died two days before. A special candle service in memory of her was held near the close of the program.

Our March meeting at the home of Martha Springsteen Chappelle gave us some of the thrills of college chapter days, when cunning little favors in our ice-cream announced Martha's engagement to Robert W. Frye. Martha's younger sister, Mary Louise Springsteen, had announced her engagement only a few weeks before, so there was much talk of double weddings, etc.

the rest of the evening.

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Mary Snodgrass Webster

Des Moines Alumnæ

Des Moines alumnæ is completing a most successful year under the enthusiastic leadership of Lois Brown Harris. The program of monthly Monday evening meetings has been continued this year, and again dinners are better attended than the Saturday luncheons tried before. An improvement over the already successful yearly schedule sent out on cards previously, was the attractive little year book given this year to each Theta alumnæ in town. No excuse now to forget being on the committee of three to work with the hostess in providing dinner for two dozen or so hungry sisters; no longer an excuse to forget the meeting entirely; no further need of the endless telephoning with reminders of a forthcoming meeting. This ribbon-bound booklet also contained the names and addresses of all Des Moines alumnæ and ten by-laws.

One of our aims this year has been 100 per cent attendance, and we feel that, considering the very severe winter, our eighty per cent has been decidely commendable.

Each year the discussion arises as to whether we should have some serious philanthropic work or monetary goal as our chief aim, but each year we conclude that the mere enjoyment of each others company for an evening a month is an end in itself. We feel that this holding of interest is of the utmost importance and that we are laying a splendid foundation of unity for other goals that may be expedient in future years. Most of us are very enthusiastic and would not miss a Theta meeting, for a good deal.

A number of our members are distinctly bored with the idea of making money simply to be doing something, so emphasis is not laid on that phase. Nevertheless almost a hundred dollars was made for our emergency fund from the sale of Christmas cards and the small amount left over after expenses are paid from the supper fund at fifty cents a plate.

A summary of this year's meetings may be of interest.

At the September meeting with Miss Bonnie Marshall, Beta Kappa's forthcoming rush was the main subject of conversation and it was decided that aside from the large formal tea we give annually for all the rushees, perhaps the alums could be of the greatest help by taking charge of the food and transportation for all parties thereby releasing the college girls for more intensive personal rushing.

The topic of the October meeting with Mrs Donald Willis was the successful rush.

The November gathering at Mrs Gifford Knudson's, coming as it did on the eve of the national election, resolved itself into a political rally.

At the December meeting, at the spacious home of Mrs. Fred Swanson, Beta Kappa pledges were our guests and paid the neophyte penalty by putting on the entertainment, which they did graciously.

During the holidays we renewed our friendships with many who return to the fold only at that time. Our Christmas luncheon at one of the downtown tea rooms has become an institution.

The Founders'-day banquet was likewise well attended and was impressive with the ritualistic ending, renewing old memories and ideals.

The coming of spring was apparent in the March meeting at Mrs Harold Bruner's by the semi-annual discussion of the chapter house question, which was put in the hands of committees for some real action. Mrs Robert McKee was made chairman of the booster committee for the gathering of pledges and other funds and Mrs William Lichty, Mrs Harold Bruner, and Mrs Chester Woodburn were made members of the committee on houses.

At the April meeting with Miss Frances McKee officers were elected. These officers will be installed at the May meeting at the home of Mrs C. C. Woodburn.

As usual the June meeting will take the form of a picnic at the charming farm house of Mrs Simon Casady, jr. in a beautiful spot overlooking the city. Here we are served luncheon under the trees far away from care and worries. For a number of years the hostess has provided strawberry shortcake, and we are hoping the strawberry crop will be good again this year. We are also urged to bring the children along, but ordinarily the rather unusual collection of play apparatus the Casady's have for their four children is monopolized by the grownups.

So the year ends. 1 April 1929

Katharine Coville Woodburn

Houston Alumnæ

Houston alumnæ has been unusually busy, both making money and deciding the best way to spend it. Income was augmented by a rummage sale in the fall which netted fourteen dollars, a Christmas card sale that brought two hundred dollars, a sale of hand lotion that is incomplete as yet, and the handling of Barrent Ten Broeck's candies and preserves in Houston. After having made this extra money we decided to spend part of it helping the Alpha Theta house fund and the new chapter at Southern Methodist university at Dallas. Two of Alpha Theta's twenty-five dollar bonds were bought and a donation of twenty-five dollars was sent to Beta Sigma. Wishing to make a definite gift to Alpha Theta, we finally decided upon initiation paraphernalia and sent them a hand-painted coat-of-arms banner.

Our former family—our charity work—acquired another source of help when Mrs Watters married a gentlemen capable of supporting the family. Since this social work has been a pleasure as well as a means of uniting our chapter, we immediately started looking for another family to foster. The new one is composed of a mother and four children much in need of help. This Christmas the old ladies at one of the homes for the aged received gifts from the individuals in the chapter—each member taking one old lady and seeing that she had at least one attractive Christmas package. At that time we were helping a group of orphan children, so we also saw that they received gifts.

When Mrs. Woodruff, our delegate, returned from convention with the two life memberships that she had received as the first

prize for her most attractive exhibit of activities in an alumnæ chapter, we decided that we wanted to convert that prize into a form that would become the permanent property of the chapter to be used constantly in meetings. So we sold the memberships to members of the club who did not have life memberships and with the money bought a beautiful gavel with an engraved silver band.

One source of pleasure and convenience for the chapter has been the most attractive black and gold year books that our president, Mrs Woodruff, designed and made for the chapter. These books carry the names, addresses, and phone numbers of the members, as well as the calendar of meeting with the hostess and the place of meeting.

Our Founders'-day celebration began with a luncheon at the Warwick hotel. The colors of the fraternity were used for the decorations. A three course luncheon was served to about twenty members. After the luncheon we went to the home of one of the members for the usual Founders'-day service. About ten dollars was collected for the Friendship fund.

Though rather small our chapter is active and there is a noticeable feeling of enjoyment at even the business meetings. Attendance is usually good. We believe that we have reached all the Thetas in Houston but are always glad when a new Theta seeks us out before we are told by some outsider that there is a Theta at such and such an address. All Thetas who are moving to Houston or who are visiting here for a while are invited to call our president, Mrs H. G. Woodruff, and receive information about meetings. The time is always the first Thursday in the month, but the place is the home of some member.

Indianapolis Alumnæ

Dorothy Whitehurst

13 March 1929

Meetings have been both interesting and varied, and have had an average attendance of sixty-five.

At the October meeting, a buffet supper was served, when our president and delegate, Emma Rhodehamel Locke, Eta, imparted to us the enthusiasm and inspiration she received at convention.

A programme of songs and clever stunts provided the entertainment in November, which was also a buffet supper meeting.

A white elephant auction was a merry feature of our Christmas party, and furnished sufficient funds to buy several baskets of food for poor families.

Our Founders'-day luncheon and dance in January are always a success, as the four Indiana college chapters join in this

celebration. Luncheon was served to 348 Thetas seated at small tables in the Riley room of the Claypool hotel. After cordial greetings from our District president, Mary Bragg Hughes, our guest of honor, Mrs Margaret Killen Banta, Grand vice-president, gave the principal address. Her interesting and often amusing discussion of the undergraduate, past and present, was enjoyed by everyone. Then followed stunts by the college chapters, which are an annual feature. The best of these is awarded a prize, won by Gamma, this year. The dance in the evening was attended by 225 couples, and netted the treasury \$186.43.

A Marionette show in January made \$220.00 for our social service fund. As a result, the social service work at the new Coleman hospital for women has been undertaken as a definite

and specific field.

At the February musicale arranged by our talented harpist, Ruth Ranier Nessler, Gamma, our founder, Betty Locke Hamilton, was a special guest and gave a greeting.

A luncheon-bridge of sixteen tables was held in March with

Edna Balz, Eta.

The election in April, our guest meeting in May, and the picnic for the children in June complete the year's activities.

26 March 1929

Alice Temple Day

Kansas City Alumnæ

Kansas City alumnæ under the guidance of Jean Phillips Brigham has come to monthly luncheons with all the enthusiasm of a newly organized college chapter, for interesting, even fascinating programs have drawn the staunch standbys and newly graduated members alike.

In September, a tea, the kind where one lingers even after being served, was given for Kappa and Alpha Mu chapters and their guests. It proved to be just the spark needed to fire the old rushing spirit and send alumnæ to their respective chapters

to do their bit.

When we met again in October, brimming over with barbarous college tales, we were brought back in contact with culture and civilization by an exceedingly interesting résumé of the season's best fiction. In November, just long enough after convention to make memories golden, Margaret Falconer Warner gave her delegate's report, and Jessie Baldbridge Lebrecht pictured the convention through the eyes of an administrator.

The résumé of fall fiction was so popular that our entertainer

was recalled in December for an excellent book review.

Seventy-nine Thetas enjoyed Founders'-day banquet and dance at one of the country clubs. Indeed, it was so successful that our Panhellenic representative had no difficulty in getting more Thetas at the annual dinner dance than any other fraternity represented.

In February, our officers changed, but the spirit of our meetings did not. A musical program was given at this meeting. Then, precisely at the time when every one is thinking of house-cleaning, our clever program committee arranged for a talk on interior decoration illustrated with samples of wall paper, curtains, draperies, vases, and what not. At our April program, a talk on oriental rugs will be given. Although the plan for the last two meetings is unannounced, we could not be induced to miss them for a Hoover reception—and we are Republicans.

If your alumnæ association is not as interesting as you think it should be, our advice is to select your program committee with the same deliberation that you use in choosing your president.

5 April 1929

Norma Purvis

New Orleans Alumnæ

The year has been an interesting one. We had a printed yearbook with directory of officers, program of meetings and list of members. It has been useful in so many ways that we hope to continue the plan.

In November, we had a Plantation party at the home of Aurilla Tuttle in Destrahan, Louisiana. Miriam Boulet secured for us a truck which we loaded forty strong. It was moonlight and, what with blankets and close quarters, the ride was not nearly as cold as it might seem. Eleanor LeBlanc, in the costume of a colored mammy, met us at the door, providing the atmosphere of real old plantation days.

We are trying to increase our contribution to the Scholarship fund, and to provide a scholarship each year for one New Orleans high school girl as our permanent social service project. In December, we raffled four mystery prizes and cleared \$28.00. Recently, we had a rummage sale, the profits from which were \$32.00. We are planning a benefit bridge party and a treasure hunt soon.

Speaking of social service projects, at the end of last year, there was a surplus of \$30.00 in the social service fund which

was used to establish an emergency milk fund at the Touro infirmary out-patient department to provide milk temporarily for those babies whose parents are unable to purchase it. An additional \$10.00 was contributed by a business man. As some of the mothers have repaid the fund for the milk supplied for their babies, there is still more than \$20.00 in the fund.

The banquet, which was at the Orleans club, was a huge success. The stunts were original and afforded much amusement but it is impossible to describe the hilarity that burst forth when funny face masks, provided by La Reine Gladden, were passed around.

We had the privilege recently of having Mrs Banta as our guest. We enjoyed her visit and were sorry that she could not stay with us longer.

28 March 1929

Julia Mae Magruder

Oklahoma City Alumnæ

Memories of pledge days and pledge lessons while we waited for the message from meeting downstairs, where the members had gathered in divine consultation over the interests of Theta, are to be brought back to the minds of Oklahoma City alumnæ.

The plan for revival of college enthusiasm in Kappa Alpha Theta in the hearts of Oklahoma City alumnæ is that of our new president, Mrs Freda Reed Dawson. Mrs Margaret Archdeacon heads a new program committee which is instructed to prepare a brief program for each future meeting.

Songs, chanted in chapter meetings following initiation, fraternity studies, ritual reviews, and discussion of topics of interest to fraternity women are to be presented anew to alumnæ.

Efforts of the chapter to obtain memberships, during the year closing have been directed in particular towards the younger alumnæ and those who previously had been inactive although residing in the city. The chapter has fifty-three active members on the roll.

Since we have two college chapters in the state, Alpha Omicron and Beta Zeta, with many members from both chapters in our chapter here, we began activities in the fall by assisting each of the chapters with one rush party. The party for Alpha Omicron at Norman was planned by Mrs Dawson and Mrs Ruth Thompson Hughes. A number of members went to Norman to assist with the party. Mrs Maude Bandle Kite was chairman of the committee to make plans for the party at Stillwater. Several

members drove to Stillwater to cooperate with the Stillwater alumnæ club in giving its party.

Our social activities have consisted of monthly luncheons, the third Saturday of each month in the home of one member; our Founders'-day banquet; and the husbands' party, which took the place of the March meeting. The latter was on the artificial lawn of the electric bungalow of our local company. It had all the semblance of a summer lawn party, despite the early season. Bridge, conversation and a dance by Mrs Joe Shelton Scruggs formed the entertainment for the evening. Hostesses for the party were: Mrs Dorothy Baugh Harmon, Mrs Virginia Baugh Lytle, Mrs Elizabeth Mann Bollinger, Mrs Blanche Cordell Hicks, Mrs Maxie Beschle Williams, Frances Kline, and Mrs Scruggs. Our April meeting is to be at the home of Jane Harden. The May meeting will be with Alpha Omicron at the chapter house in Norman, according to long established custom. And our June meeting will be our annual picnic.

The year's business activities have been profitable as well as of varied interest. The first was a rummage sale, with Mrs Frances Broach Wetzel and Mrs Irma Rapp Tolbert as committee chairmen. The second was a benefit bridge. Those working on the committee for the bridge were: Eleanor Drennan, Mrs Arline Johnson LeFlore, Mrs Dorcas McConnell Comegys, Jane Harden, Jo Mattison, Bernice Mee, and Virginia Piersol. At the present time we are engaged in a new project which we hope will be satisfactory enough to continue permanently. We are selling a hand lotion made up for us by a local chemist, and known as Pansy hand lotion. Mrs Bess Westcott Bentley is chairman of the committee for distributing and selling the new lotion. So far, we are all enthusiastic over the promise of a large profit and an interesting project. Yes, the Oklahoma City alumnæ will be glad to fill all orders for the famous Pansy hand lotion. Try it.

At Christmas time we distributed gifts to the little girls in the Crippled children's ward at Oklahoma university hospital. This was done through one of our members, Helen Carr, who is a social service worker there.

28 March 1929

Marion Hurst

Pittsburgh Alumnæ

Pittsburgh alumnæ began its meetings with an interesting Convention day in charge of Caryl Reynolds, president of the chapter and convention delegate. In November, Thetas joined with other national women's fraternities in a Panhellenic luncheon. Our December meeting was our own Christmas party. Three alumnæ who spent the summer in Europe chose the February meeting to tell us tales of life at Oxford and on the continent. In March, we entertained the college chapter, Alpha Omega, at a St Patrick's day bridge.

Alpha Omega joined us in celebrating Founders'-day by a luncheon at Webster hall. The principal speaker was Mrs Mary Sansom Jones, Mu, who gave the alumnæ much food for thought. Mrs James H. Greene, Rho, delighted us at the piano with three pastorals, original compositions, and also accompanied Margaret Tiddell Madden (Mrs V. W.) Alpha Omicron, who sang for us.

Although we have indulged in these many pleasures, we have not neglected the Fellowship-loan and House-building funds. In October, we held a large evening bridge to which men were invited. This netted us a goodly sum for the Loan fund. The monthly group bridges and the rummage sale have increased the House fund beyond \$5,000. At our May meeting, we will conclude the business for the year and settle all affairs of state so that we may be free to enjoy a picnic in June at the country home of Mrs Moreland, Alpha Omega.

Ruth Townley

Rochester Alumnæ

New members of the chapter are Clara Luse Scott (Mrs Herbert) formerly of Des Moines alumnæ, and Frances Holmes Vincent (Mrs R. T.) formerly of Syracuse alumnæ.

Our Founders'-day luncheon was at Kew Cottage, January 26, with twenty present.

Several of us had the pleasure of greeting Cornelia Stratton Parker when she spoke here on *Travel or college?* Mrs Parker favored travel for the "person who could appreciate and properly utilize it."

22 March 1929

Margaret Smith Lang

San Diego Alumnæ

San Diego alumnæ was installed January 28 with Mrs Ada Edwards Laughlin, Phi, presiding as installation officer; the occasion marking both the installation ceremony and Founders' banquet.

The membership of this new chapter is unusually interesting because it represents twenty different college chapters.

The chapter meets for luncheon and business the last Satur-

day of each month. It was formerly a well organized club, having regular monthly meetings, contributing to the Scholarship fund and taking an active and leading part in fraternity and community affairs; the foremost of which was the organization of the San Diego Panhellenic, September, 1927, which has been a success, meeting regularly monthly for bridge luncheons in charge of the various groups, and which all visiting Greek letter women are urged to attend. The introductory meeting was a tea in the spacious home of Georgina Lyman Edwards, at which the Theta club was hostess. Norma Young, Alpha Pi, president of the organization the first year deserves credit, by her faithful and efficient efforts, for much of its success.

The Italian room of the U. S. Grant hotel afforded a most auspicious setting for Founders'-day banquet. The chapter deeply appreciated and fully enjoyed the beautiful flowers which decorated the banquet table, and which were the compliments of Mrs Ada Edwards Laughlin, guest of honor who so admirably conducted chapter installation, and who shall be remembered with deep regard by all who enjoyed the privilege of meeting her.

Mrs Helen May Marcy Johnson, who was presiding officer of the Theta club, and re-elected president of the alumnæ chapter, was toastmistress; and recognizing the significance of uniting Founders'-day banquet and installation ceremonies, she impressively lighted five tall tapers, four of which she named in memory of our Theta Founders; the fifth taper being for Mrs Estelle Langworthy, Alpha, who passed away December, 1928, and whose gift to Theta was life long service and loyalty. She was a brilliant woman with a charming personality; a valuable friend and Theta, much loved and esteemed by all who knew her.

A hostess benefit bridge was planned at the last chapter meeting, to be so arranged that each Theta may engage as many tables as she wishes, paying \$2.00 per table, thereby acting as hostess to her own guests and at the same time contributing to the benefit, the purpose of which is to increase the Scholarship fund.

Mrs Roui Adair White Collins, corresponding secretary, will be greatly missed when this summer she returns to her home at 104 West Main street, Negaunee, Michigan, after having diligently and enthusiastically devoted her time and talents to Theta work here the past three years. Mrs Collins is a talented singer, and contributed generously to Theta entertainments.

Margaret Palmer, who preceded Mrs Collins as corresponding secretary, is now making her home with her sister Carolyn Palmer Greene (Mrs Claire) at 227 Waverly place, New York city, New York. Both girls are from Alpha Lambda. Margaret enjoyed a most interesting trip through the Panama Canal on board the California steamship a year ago, and is now busily employed in an interior decorating shop on Fifth avenue, which bears her own name.

Theta is represented in San Diego in almost every community and educational activity, with Mrs Rachel Hotchkiss White having proved herself a successful vice president of the American association of university women, and chairman of the educational department of the University club, having succeeded Mrs Margaret Hanna Whitaker, who had faithfully devoted much of her time to this extension. The department presents to adults free of charge two study classes of child psychology, namely, the pre-school child and the adolescent child. The studies are under the leadership of Mrs Gertrude S. Bell, a recognized authority on the subjects. Mrs Whitaker is now actively engaged in developing the day nursery project.

Mrs Georgina Lyman Edwards sponsored the establishment of a receiving home for children who are left temporarily without parental protection. The home grew to such proportions and its need so recognized that it has been taken over by the community chest. Thetas devoted one meeting entirely to sewing for the home, and furnished the material for the garments.

Norma Young, ex-president, sojourned six weeks in December and January in Honolulu, sailing thence and return on the City of Honolulu. Norma reports Thetas socially active in that city, and gave a glowing account of the delightful entertainment she received there.

Amy Beigel, Alpha Pi convention delegate, visited our chapter in February.

Helen Chick, Rho, who is making her home in Los Angeles with her mother, and is teaching in a private school there, spent the summer here. Mrs Lucile Lees Chamberlin resided in Coronado last summer and regularly attended Theta meetings. Her present address is 537 Collins street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mrs Mary Bowlby Ela is spending the winter in San Diego with her two small sons. She will visit Thetas in Pasadena, Long Beach and Los Angeles before returning to her home, the address of which is Ketchikan, Alaska.

21 March 1929

LaRue Gillern Yale

Topeka Alumnæ

The plan of luncheons once a month followed by business meetings is working beautifully. There are nine committees each consisting of chairman and six other members, each committee having charge of one luncheon during the year. The following have entertained us at their homes: Theo Thompson, Ruth Wood, Dorothy Crane McKeever, Allabelle Troutman Mills, Edith Davis Bowen, Betty Mills Hall, and Dorothy Gleed Miller.

May 26, 1928, the alumnæ entertained Alpha Upsilon with the annual picnic at the home of Mildred Guild Weidling. At this time the alumnæ initiated the following seniors into the alumnæ chapter: Mary Buck, Doris Gilmore, Esther Mary Snyder, Mary Gillmore, Madeline Stewart, Virginia Scott, Virginia Welty, Lois Taylor, and Mary Green.

The Founders'-day banquet was held at the Hotel Kansan and was attended by both the alumnæ chapter and Alpha Upsilon. We were honored to have as our guest, Jessie Baldridge Lebrecht. Following a short Founders'-day ceremony given by Ruth Koester Kaster, Mrs Lebrecht talked on Theta ideals. After the banquet, college members entertained us with dancing skits and living statues. The pledges of Alpha Upsilon sang original songs.

Doris Gilmore was in charge of the Kappa Alpha Theta subscription dance given before Christmas at the Woman's club. This added \$310 to the treasury.

An interesting visitor here in February was Mary Ferguson '14, of London, England. Mary was at one time librarian at the Engineering security library, New York eity, and with the New Jersey Zinc company. Since then she has travelled around the world. For the past three years she has been living in London, and last year toured southern Africa.

28 March 1929 Mary E. Green

KAPPA ALPHA THETA LOAN AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

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